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TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1950

Selectmen, Board of Welfare and Board of Health

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JOSEPH K. MILLIKEN, Chairman*
JOSEPH K. MILLIKEN, Jr., Chairman x
THOMAS P. BARRY, Clerk DR. CHARLES M. SOUZA
DR. ARNOLD E. WORDELL NORMAN S. BOWEN
CAESAR ARAUJO ROBERT H. LEEMING

School Committee

EUGENE WHITE, Chairman
P. O. North Dighton, Mass.
EDWARD C. FRENCH, Secretary
P. O. North Dighton, Mass.
CHARLES SWARTZ, P. O. North Dighton, Mass.
LAWRENCE MENDOZA, P. O. Dighton, Mass.
RICHARD DeMELLO, P. O. Dighton, Mass.
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*Resigned

xSuccessor

ACCOUNT OF AUDIT

Mr. Francis X. Lang
Director of Accounts
Department of Corporations and Taxation
State House, Boston

Sir:

In accordance with your instructions, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the Town of Dighton for the period from November 16, 1949 the date of the previous examination, to December 11, 1950, and submit the following report thereon:

The books and accounts in the office of the town auditor were examined, checked, and compared with the records of the several departments in which money is collected or bills are committed for collection and with the records of the town treasurer.

The ledger accounts were analyzed, the appropriations and loan authorizations being compared with the town clerk's record of financial votes passed in town meetings. A trial balance was taken off proving the accounts to be in balance, the necessary adjusting entries resulting from the audit of the several departments were made, and a balance sheet, showing the financial condition of the town on December 11, 1950, was prepared and is appended to this report.

The books and records of the town treasurer were examined and checked in detail. The recorded receipts

were analyzed and compared with the records in the several departments collecting money for the town and with other sources from which money was paid into the treasury, while the payments were checked with the Selectmen's warrants authorizing the treasurer to disburse town funds and with the town auditor's books.

The treasurer's cash balance on December 11, 1950 was proved by actual count of the cash in the office and by reconciliation of the bank balance with statements furnished by the banks of deposit.

The savings bank books representing the investment of the trust funds in the custody of the town treasurer were examined and listed. The income and transfers to the town were proved and the balances were found to be as reported.

The recorded payments on account of maturing debt and interest were checked with the amounts falling due and with the cancelled securities on file.

The records of tax titles and tax possessions held by the town were examined. The amounts transferred from the several town and district tax levies to the tax title account were proved, the redemptions and sales were verified, and the tax titles and tax possessions on hand were listed, reconciled with the ledger accounts, and compared with the records in the Registry of Deeds.

The books and accounts of the tax collector were examined and checked. The town and district taxes and motor vehicle and trailer excise outstanding at the time of the previous examination, as well as all subsequent commitment lists, were audited and reconciled with the assessors' warrants. The reported collections

were checked with the payments to the town and district treasurers, the recorded abatements were compared with the assessors' record of abatements granted, the transfers to the tax title account were checked with the treasurer's records of tax titles held by the town and the outstanding accounts were reconciled with the respective ledger accounts.

The records of departmental accounts receivable outstanding at the time of the previous audit and all subsequent charges were audited and proved. The payments to the treasurer were verified by comparison with the treasurer's cash book and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the town auditor's ledger accounts.

Verification of the outstanding tax, motor vehicle and trailer excise, and departmental accounts was made by sending notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town and districts, the replies received thereto indicating the accounts, as listed, are correct.

The records of the selectmen, the town clerk, and the health, school and library departments were examined and checked. The payments to the State were compared with the receipts on file and the payments to the town treasurer were checked with the treasurer's cash book.

The surety bonds of the financial officials bonded for the faithful performance of their duties were examined and found to be in proper form.

The records of all other departments collecting money for the town or committing bills for collection

were examined and reconciled with the town treasurer's and the town auditor's books.

While engaged in making the audit, cooperation was received from all town officials, for which, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, I wish to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN B. DINE

Assistant Director of Accounts

Resolution

WHEREAS:

JOSEPH K. MILLIKEN

has served this Town faithfully and ably, especially in earlier years on the Appropriations Committee, and more recently for thirty years as Chairman of the Finance Committee; and in this connection has given unstintingly of his time and effort to the citizens of the Town of Dighton; Therefore, be it resolved, that we, the Board of Selectmen, as representatives of all our fellow-townsmen, do hereby express to Mr. Milliken our sincere appreciation of the valuable services he has rendered.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this Resolution be sent to Mr. Milliken; and the Resolution be published in the current issue of the Town Report.

JOHN BOLGER

WILLIAM F. HATHAWAY

H. JUDSON ROBINSON

Selectmen of Dighton

At Dighton,

January 10, 1951.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

To the Voters and Taxpayers of the Town of Dighton:

The cash balance in the Town as of December 31, 1950 was \$186,192.89 while the cash balance on January 1, 1950 was \$164,480.16. This represents an increase of \$21,712.73 during the year 1950.

It was necessary to transfer \$2,163.61 from the Appropriated Reserve Account to several departments which were overdrawn. There still remains, however, an unexpended balance in this account of \$2,836.39 at the close of 1950. All of these transfers were required due to unforeseen emergencies which occurred during the year.

The unexpended balance in the appropriation accounts was \$11,442.67 on December 31, 1950. This credit balance was made possible by the careful supervision of expenditures by the various departments in the Town, and despite the fact that practically all commodity costs have been increased since the budget was drafted early in the year.

It is indeed gratifying to be able to present the above favorable commentary on the financial condition of the Town of Dighton, and it is suggested that the Town Auditor's Report be studied for a complete financial analysis.

During the year 1950, a total of \$35,344.08 was spent on maintenance, of Town Roads. Of this amount

\$2,761.44 was spent for sidewalk repairs, snowplowing and sanding and various other street projects not aided by State Funds.

We are glad to report to you that with the assistance of Mr. Henry Goff and his crew, and also Mr. O'Connell of the High School Vocational Department, our street sign project in Town is practically completed. We hope this job will meet with your approval.

Under Chapter 81 we spent \$19,550.00 of which \$6,900.00 was appropriated from Town funds and \$12,650.00 from State contribution. Under this Chapter the Town appropriates \$150.00 for each of its 46 miles of road and the State contributes \$275.00 per mile. These funds are only available to Towns who can qualify under Chapter 81.

To be eligible, a Town must have a valuation of less than five million dollars. If its road mileage divided into its last established State Tax per million dollars is more than twelve, we no longer are eligible for aid under Chapter 81, and it would mean a loss of revenue of at least \$12,650.00 per year to be used on our highways.

Our State Tax per million is now \$550.00 and if divided by 46 our road mileage we get an answer of 11.95, so it is very obvious that any change in the State Tax upwards would eliminate our Town from benefits under Chapter 81 funds if our road mileage remains the same.

In an article on a Special Town Warrant last October, your Selectmen put this matter of adding road mileage before the voters and the matter was laid on the table without any discussion. A similar article will be in the 1951 Warrant and we recommend your serious consideration.

Under Chapter 90 Maintenance \$1,500.00 was spent. \$500.00 of this amount was contributed by the County, \$500.00 by the State and \$500.00 appropriated by the Town. This amount was spent chiefly to correct and improve the road condition at the junction of Hart and Elm Streets which has been the cause of much concern to Town Officials for many years. It involved the construction of several catch basins and pipe lines to care for the surface water. The approaches to this corner were graveled, graded and tarred, and we believe the Superintendent of Streets, Henry Goff with the assistance of State Engineers handled this difficult job well.

A total of \$388.45 was spent on repairs on the Berkley and Pleasant St. Bridge.

On the Williams Street extension a total of \$11,124.26 was spent this year for the construction of approximately 1,800 feet of new road. An appropriation of \$3,500.00 was made for this account this year to be matched with \$3,500.00 from the County and \$7,000.00 from the State which would give us a total of \$14,000.00 available for this job. The contractor's estimate was less than the State estimate which left a balance in this account of \$2,875.74.

We are informed by the State Engineers who made an inspection of the Berkley Bridge that the bridge floor and associated structure is in very poor condition and should be replaced. The estimated cost of this work is \$25,000.00. The cost of maintaining this bridge is divided, Dighton paying 7-10 and Berkley 3-10.

With the State participating on a Chapter 90 Construction basis, the State paying \$12,500.00, the County \$6,250.00, Dighton's share would be \$4,375.00. We

are including in our annual budget a request for an appropriation of \$4,375.00 to complete this work.

During the past year we have enjoyed the usual and wholehearted cooperation from our State Department Engineers, Grover Coffin and Seth Freeman. Their assistance and advice was very helpful.

In compliance with Executive Order Number 2 issued by his Excellency, Paul A. Dever, Governor of Massachusetts, dated September 12, 1950, ordering all cities and towns in the State to appoint a Director of Civil Defense, Mr. George H. Gilbert has been appointed by the Board of Selectmen to serve in this capacity.

In a letter from the Governor dated September 29, 1950, he said, "I am pleased to learn from Director Stokes the name of Mr. George H. Gilbert whom you have asked to act as Director of Civil Defense in your community. I want to express my appreciation for this evidence of cooperation in a State wide program designed to protect all our citizens in the event of military or other disaster. I am sure you share with me the feeling of regret that the appointment of a Civil Defense Director is necessary, but at the same time I know you will want to take every step to protect the lives and insure the safety of the people of your community as well as make available the services of your community for others who may be less fortunate."

The Town of Dighton is very fortunate in having a man of the calibre of Mr. Gilbert to serve in this capacity, and we feel confident that the citizens of the Town of Dighton will cooperate in whatever capacity they may be called upon to serve in the development of this Civil Defense organization.

Mr. Charles Day of Elm Street, Dighton was appointed Local Coordinator for Air Ground Observation Corps by the Board of Selectmen in April, 1950, as requested by the State Organization. Mr. Day has organized this department to be known as a "Ground Observation Corps" with an observation post and telephone service on the roof of the Mt. Hope Finishing Company.

Mr. Harry McConville has been appointed Chief Observer for this group and has more than 40 volunteers for this work. However, more people will be needed as time progresses. This group has had four trial runs as an educational feature of this program. Two were held on November 4th and 5th and two on February 10th and 11th.

Mr. Day and Mr. McConville are attending meetings in New Bedford regularly in cooperation with the State leaders, to be better able to carry out these important duties. To all these busy people who give of their time and effort in the interest of this civil duty, we say thank you.

We wish to express our appreciation to all officials, employees and citizens of the Town for their cooperation throughout the year.

JOHN BOLGER,
WILLIAM F. HATHAWAY,
H. JUDSON ROBINSON,

Selectmen of Dighton

Report of the Board of Public Welfare

To the Citizens of Dighton:

All categories of Relief showed a considerable increase for the year 1950.

The Welfare Account appropriation amounted to \$8,000.00 and the expenditures for the year totaled \$6,950.84. There was a recovery on this account in the amount of \$19.55 so that we closed the year with a balance of \$1,068.71. We started the year with 8 active cases and added 17 new cases at various times during the year. We closed out the year as we started, with 8 cases. Total expenditures for these cases were \$4,802.58 and in addition we aided 7 Dighton Settled Cases living in other Towns, at an additional cost of \$2,148.26, making the grand total cost of \$6,950.84 for the year 1950 which is an increase of \$310.15 over 1949.

The Aid to Dependent Children, appropriation amounted to \$6,000.00. On January 1, 1950 there was a U. S. Grant balance of \$266.61 and our Federal Reimbursements during the year amounted to \$2,937.50. Our total expenditures for this department in 1950 amounted to \$8,075.85, leaving a balance in this account of \$1,128.26. The total expenditures for this department in 1949 amounted to \$7,103.79. We started 1950 with 6 active cases representing 15 children. Two cases were added during the year representing 5 children. The year was closed with 5 cases representing 13 children.

The Old Age Assistance appropriation amounted to \$23,000.00. During the year Federal Reimbursements

amounted to \$16,380.39. It was necessary to request the Finance Committee to authorize the transfer of \$1300.00 from the appropriated reserve account to the Old Age Assistance account, to balance out an overdraft in this appropriation. The total expenditures for 1950 were \$39,501.95 which is \$3,580.45 greater than 1949. There was a recovery of \$44.00 during the year, leaving a balance at the end of the year of \$1,222.44. We started the year with 49 cases and added 8 new cases during the year, closed out 11 cases and ended the year with 46 active cases.

The Taunton Greyhound Association contributed \$500.00 to the Dighton Christmas Basket Fund again this year and this gift was distributed among our needy in the Town. This generous gift is greatly appreciated.

JOHN BOLGER,
WILLIAM F. HATHAWAY,
H. JUDSON ROBINSON,

Board of Public Welfare

Report of the Board of Health

As can be noted from the report of our Town Nurse Esther Bowden, there was no epidemic of a serious nature, during the past year, and in general the health of the community was good.

We believe this to be the result of an educational program conducted during the past years through various pre-school clinics and anti-tuberculosis tests. These

programs have not only helped to detect and check contagious diseases in their infancy, but has done a lot to make people more conscious of the value of good health and the need for consulting with their doctor in cases of sickness.

We extend the thanks of the Board to Mrs. Esther Bowden for a fine job done during the past year.

Total appropriations for the Board of Health for the year 1950 was \$3,895.60. Total expenditures were \$3,397.02 leaving a balance of 496.58 in this account. This was \$931.40 less than the cost to maintain this department in 1949.

The Town Ambulance as usual has served its useful purpose in our community during the past year.

The Board of Health extends its thanks and the gratitude of the citizens of the Town to the members of the South Dighton Fire Department for making this service possible through their volunteer services on all ambulance calls.

JOHN BOLGER,
WILLIAM F. HATHAWAY,
H. JUDSON ROBINSON,

Board of Health

Report of Community Nurse

To the Board of Health:

Gentlemen:

I submit the following report for 1950.

My work as Community Nurse was carried on for 1950 as in previous years. Bedside nursing to older patients seems to increase each year, perhaps due to the now longer life span and the better medical care of older people.

Patients were taken to Clinics, Hospitals and Doctor's offices. The Town Ambulance again carried on the important work of transporting patients safely and comfortably.

One new case of Tuberculosis was reported, one case was re-hospitalized and one death occurred from this disease. All suspects and contacts were X-rayed. The follow up of all previous cases was carried on and checked.

Our Dighton residents appreciate the services offered them at the Toxoid and Pre-school clinics by their continued good attendance. These clinics are held in April, May and June each year.

The monthly meeting of the Social Health and Welfare Workers Group proved most helpful and inspiring. This Fall I have had two courses, one given by the American Red Cross and the other by the State

Department of Public Health. The first was a thirty hour course for Instructors in Home Nursing and the other sixteen hours in Maternity Care.

I wish to express my appreciation to the Town Officials for their continued cooperation and help and to the Organizations of the Town for their contributions and help in many ways.

Respectfully submitted,

ESTHER BOWDEN, R.N.

Treasurer's Report

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| Balance in Treasury January 1, 1950 | \$164,480.16 |
| Total Receipts during the Year | 353,823.15 |
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| | \$518,303.31 |
| Selectmen's Warrants paid during the year | 332,110.42 |
| Balance in Treasury, December 31, 1950 | 186,192.89 |
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| | \$518,303.31 |

Report of Cemetery Fund

| | Amount of Fund | On Deposit Jan. 1, 1950 | Interest Rec'd | Paid for Care |
|---------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Sarah Babbitt | \$100.00 | \$193.63 | \$3.88 | \$ |
| Briggs Lot | 125.00 | 242.77 | 4.87 | 9.00 |
| Mary J. Briggs | 100.00 | 118.62 | 2.37 | 2.00 |
| George E. Francis | 100.00 | 150.58 | 3.02 | 2.00 |
| Joseph Gooding | 142.75 | 171.67 | 3.44 | 3.00 |
| Truman N. Goff | 100.00 | 130.74 | 2.62 | 2.00 |
| George H. Horton | 100.00 | 181.23 | 3.64 | 6.00 |
| Nelson Horton | 100.00 | 157.67 | 3.16 | 2.00 |
| Sylvanus Jones | 100.00 | 192.67 | 3.86 | 2.00 |
| Josiah R. Talbot | 100.00 | 147.23 | 2.95 | 6.00 |
| Dr. A. J. Smith | 150.00 | 183.53 | 1.84 | 4.00 |
| Martha L. Smith | 50.00 | 50.34 | .50 | |
| Nathan Walker | 100.00 | 120.34 | 2.41 | 3.00 |
| William Walker | 250.00 | 310.42 | 6.23 | 10.00 |
| Williams Lot | 100.00 | 179.69 | 3.60 | 4.00 |
| Thomas B. Witherell | 100.00 | 119.88 | 2.40 | 1.00 |
| Benjamin F. Goff | 100.00 | 130.64 | 2.61 | 1.00 |
| Davis W. Francis | 100.00 | 124.19 | 2.49 | 1.00 |
| N. Allen Walker | 150.98 | 303.28 | 6.09 | 6.00 |
| Oliver P. Simmons | 721.00 | 722.86 | 14.52 | 16.00 |
| Francis J. Wheeler | 100.00 | 116.78 | 2.33 | 1.00 |
| William D. Goff | 100.00 | 108.58 | 2.17 | 1.00 |
| Robert S. Waterman | 100.00 | 113.43 | 2.27 | 1.00 |
| Joseph G. Thaxter | 100.00 | 112.32 | 2.25 | |
| Submit Babbitt | 50.00 | 51.24 | 1.02 | |
| Ebenezer Gay | 50.00 | 50.93 | 1.01 | |

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|---------------------|----------|----------|--------|-------|
| Emerson W. Goff | 100.00 | 117.14 | 2.35 | 1.00 |
| Shubel Wheeler | 100.00 | 100.02 | 1.00 | |
| Westcott & McNally | 200.00 | 207.51 | 2.08 | 2.00 |
| Wendell Weed | 100.00 | 100.22 | 2.01 | |
| Emeline Williams | 100.00 | 104.00 | 2.09 | 6.00 |
| Zenas H. Goff | 150.00 | 175.80 | 3.60 | 1.00 |
| Job Paull | 100.00 | 116.89 | 2.34 | 1.00 |
| Albert F. Goff | 50.00 | 50.31 | .50 | |
| Edgar A. Essex | 200.00 | 229.35 | 4.60 | 6.00 |
| John H. Horton | 100.00 | 103.41 | 2.07 | 1.00 |
| Alfred A. Horton | 100.00 | 102.28 | 2.05 | 1.00 |
| John H. Harlow | 100.00 | 100.77 | 2.01 | 1.00 |
| Ephira Goff | 100.00 | 102.66 | 2.05 | 1.00 |
| Helen C. Briggs | 75.00 | 84.21 | 1.69 | 1.50 |
| Westcoat Lot | 200.00 | 201.37 | 4.04 | 1.00 |
| Joshua Bliss | 5,000.00 | 5,077.54 | 102.05 | 46.00 |
| Arthur A. Hathaway | 200.00 | 214.91 | 4.31 | 2.00 |
| E. & J. Lincoln | 200.00 | 213.45 | 4.28 | 6.00 |
| Gilbert Strange | 200.00 | 200.58 | 4.02 | 4.00 |
| Charles E. Carr | 500.00 | 505.74 | 10.15 | 8.00 |
| Nancy C. Jones | 150.00 | 157.96 | 3.16 | 2.00 |
| Jesse P. Goff | 100.00 | 100.01 | 2.01 | 2.00 |
| Emery White | 100.00 | 104.32 | 2.09 | 2.00 |
| Elbridge G. Francis | 200.00 | 200.00 | 3.01 | 2.00 |

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

The regular annual Town Meeting for Election of Officers was held in the Town Hall on March 6, 1950. Meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Wayne M. Philbrook at 10 o'clock A. M. Rose E. Bolger was elected Moderator pro-tem in the absence of the Moderator. The Polls were opened for voting at 10:01 A. M. and balloting was under the supervision of the following Election Officers: Rose E. Bolger, Catherine Sherman, Elaine Varley, Hazel Horton, Helen Atwood, Florence Perry, Agnes Murray, Edna Horton, Frank Boothby and Robert Phillips. The Polls were closed at 8 o'clock P. M. Ballots having been assorted and counted, the results were declared as follows:

Moderator for one year—Wayne M. Philbrook.

Selectman for three years—William F. Hathaway.

Board of Public Welfare for three years—William F. Hathaway.

Auditor for one year—Ruth D. Leeming.

Town Clerk for three years—Dwight F. Lane.

Town Treasurer for one year—Dwight F. Lane.

Assessor for three years—Raymond A. Horton.

Assessor for one year—Frank R. O'Connell.

Tax Collector for three years—Percy B. Simmons.

School Committee for three years—Charles Swartz and Anthony Andrews.

Trustee of Public Library for three years—Jerome Greer.

Tree Warden for one year—Henry P. Goff.

Oyster Warden for one year—Dwight F. Lane, Howell S. Carr and John Bolger.

Fish Warden for one year—Dwight F. Lane, Howell S. Carr and John Bolger.

The regular Annual Town Meeting was held in the Town Hall on March 13, 1950. Moderator, Wayne M. Philbrook called the meeting to order at 7:30 o'clock P.M.

Voted: To accept the various reports of Town Officials as published in the Town Officers' report for 1949.

Voted: That the Board of Selectmen be authorized to appoint all necessary Town Officials and Committees.

Voted: That the Town Treasurer be bonded for \$19,000 and the Town Collector be bonded for \$18,800.

Voted: That the salaries of Elected Town Officials be established for 1950 as follows:

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|----------------|----------|
| Moderator | \$ 20.00 |
| Town Treasurer | 850.00 |

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|------------------|-------------|
| Town Clerk | 450.00 |
| Town Collector | 1,050.00 |
| Town Auditor | 578.00 |
| Assessors: | |
| Chairman | 1,000.00 |
| Others | 400.00 each |
| Selectmen: | |
| Chairman | 440.00 |
| Others | 200.00 each |
| Welfare Board: | |
| Chairman | 200.00 |
| Others | 100.00 each |
| Board of Health: | |
| Chairman | 200.00 |
| Others | 100.00 each |
| Tree Warden | 35.00 |
| School Board: | |
| Secretary | 25.00 |

Voted: To accept the report of the Finance Committee as presented, and the following be raised and appropriated:

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| High School Construction Bonds | \$ 4,000.00 |
| High School Addition Notes | 2,500.00 |
| Interest on Bonds and Notes | 346.88 |
| Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital | 3,815.03 |
| Mosquito Control | 225.00 |
| School Department | 138,940.00 |

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| School Water Supply | 700.00 |
| Public Library | 1,500.00 |
| Welfare Department | 8,000.00 |
| Old Age Assistance | 23,000.00 |
| Aid to Dependent Children | 6,000.00 |
| Veterans' Benefits | 3,500.00 |
| Board of Health | 3,893.60 |
| General Relief Administration | 2,000.00 |
| Fire Department | 2,725.00 |
| Police Department | 2,000.00 |
| Street Department—General Fund | 3,500.00 |
| Street Department—Sidewalk Maintenance | 400.00 |
| Chapter 81-Highway Fund | 6,900.00 |
| Chapter 90-Maintenance | 500.00 |
| Dighton—Berkley Bridge | 900.00 |
| Gypsy Moth Department | 1,000.00 |
| Care of Town Elms | 400.00 |
| Memorial Day Observance | 100.00 |
| General Government | 14,084.93 |
| Tax Title Redemption Costs | 200.00 |
| County Retirement Fund | 593.15 |
| Town Cemetery Account | 300.00 |
| Land Taking Costs—Williams St. | 200.00 |
| School Planning Committee | 200.00 |
| Accident Insurance—Police and Firemen | 330.00 |

Voted: That the Town appropriate and transfer \$5,000.00 from the Overlay Surplus Reserve Fund to a Reserve Account in accordance with Section 6, Chapter 40, General Laws.

Voted: That the Town appropriate and transfer \$400.00 from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account for the purpose of operating and maintaining Town owned Highway Equipment.

Voted: That the proceeds of the Dog Tax refund be appropriated to the use of the School Department.

Voted: That the Town appropriate and transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of \$3,500.00 to cover Chapter 90 Construction on Williams Street for 1950, as per plan on file with the Town Clerk. Said amount to be used in conjunction with money allotted by the State Department of Public Works and Bristol County for this purpose.

Voted: That the Town appropriate and transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account the sum of \$1,834.00 to a Fire Truck Equipment Account to cover the cost of a new fire truck body, tank and reels, one 40 ft. aluminum ladder and one 16 ft, aluminum roof ladder, required by the South Dighton Fire Department, and a committee be appointed by the Selectmen to purchase same. On this committee was appointed Donald Hathaway, Chief, John Bolger, Chairman of Selectmen and John Farrar.

Voted: That the sum of \$24,150.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury in anticipation of reimbursement from the State and County for Chapter 81 and 90 Highway Maintenance and Construction, and upon reimbursement, such funds be restored to unappropriated available funds in the Treasury.

Voted: That the Town authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1950, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less

than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Voted: That the maximum hourly wage for laborers employed by the Street Department be 85c per hour.

Voted: That the Town authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to sell at public auction or private sale, all properties which the Town has legally acquired by Tax Title.

Voted: That the Town authorize the Selectmen to make changes in grade, take land by purchase or eminent domain, and to settle damages for land taken in conjunction with the 1950 Highway program under chapters 81 and 90.

Voted: That the report of the School Planning Committee be accepted as a report of progress.

The Moderator appointed the Finance Committee for the year as follows: Joseph K. Milliken, Thomas Barry, Dr. Charles M. Souza, Dr. Arnold Wordell, Norman S. Bowen, Caesar Araujo and Robert H. Leeming.

Voted: To adjourn at 9 P. M. to the first day of May, 1950 at 7:30 P. M.

The Special Town Meeting held in the Town Hall on April 10, 1950 was called to order by the Moderator at 7:40 P. M.

Voted: That the Moderator be directed to dismiss the Elementary School House Planning Committee appointed by him under Article 2 of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting of November 17, 1947.

Voted: That the Moderator be authorized to appoint a committee to be known as an Elementary School Planning Committee consisting of seven members, to select a site, to engage an architect, and to prepare plans and estimates for the construction of an elementary school, and to report to the Town at the earliest possible time.

The Moderator then appointed the following committee to be known as an Elementary School Planning Committee: James K. Allen, Chairman, Lawrence Mendoza, Theodore Ladd, Herbert Candelet, Richard DeMello, J. K. Milliken, Jr., John Bolger and John J. Rolfe, Adviser to the Committee.

Voted: To adjourn at 9:05 P. M.

The regular adjourned Town Meeting, adjourned from March 13, 1950, was held in the Town Hall on May 1, 1950 and called to order by the Moderator at 7:30 P. M. As there was no business to be acted upon, it was voted to adjourn at 7:34 P. M.

The Special Town Meeting held in the Town Hall on May 2, 1950 was called to order by the Moderator at 8:00 P. M.

Voted: That the Town of Dighton accept a proposed layout of Williams Street as shown on a plan on file with the Town Clerk and to authorize and accept a proposed taking by eminent domain or purchase, as provided by the General Laws of Massachusetts, by the Selectmen of the Town of Dighton, for the purpose of constructing, altering, locating or repairing a highway in said Dighton, known as Williams Street, entitled "Plan of Road in the Town of Dighton, Bristol County, scale 40

feet to the inch, Office of Massachusetts Department of Public Works, April 5, 1950," said plan being on file with the Town Clerk, certain parcels of land in fee with all rights, easements, privileges and appurtenances thereto, including all fixtures, buildings, structures affixed thereto, and all trees, including shade trees, fruit trees, shrubs and stone walls.

Voted: To adjourn at 8:08 P. M.

The following appointments were made by the Selectmen for the year, each being duly sworn to faithful performance of duties thereof:

Constables: John W. Synan, Arthur F. Sprague, Harry F. McConville, Raymond A. Horton.

Police Officers: Ernest H. Atwood, Eric A. Christenson, Charles M. Gilbert, Raymond Horton, Harry F. McConville, Wilson L. Reid, Owen W. Synan, John W. Synan, John K. Callaghan, Russell Conn, George L. Goulart, John R. Ingham, Samuel Pine, John R. Stanley, Arthur F. Sprague, Esther Bowden, Levite F. Carrier, Cassius Cummings, John Gray, J. W. LeRoy Latimer, Albert Reed, Frank Virdinlia, Isaac Wilson.

Reserve Police Officers: James A. Ashcroft, Herbert Bradley, Charles Brooks, Arthur Contildes, John W. Harrison, Thomas Nelson, George Rubadou, Frank Souza, Jr., Louis White, Willis F. Barlow, Charles A. Briggs, Francis W. Buckley, Frank Gracia, Thomas Higgins, Joseph C. Perry, Benjamin C. Sherman, Edward Torres, Harry F. Willis, Maurice Boucher, Charles Broadbent, Robert C. Chadwick, Walter Hamilton, Charles Mason, David A. Robinson, Harold Sherrington, Robert S. Turner.

Special Police Officers: (Arnold Hoffman Co.), Karl Spratt, Lyle Ingalls, Milton Chace, Norman S. Bowen, Burton Simmons, George West.

Special Police Officers: (Mt. Hope Finishing Co.), Alexander Booth, Edmund Menard, James Read, Robert T. Synan, Arthur Cottrell, James R. Coyle, Lawrence Ryan, Adolphus B. Simmons, Leon A. Talbot, Antone Medeiros.

Public Weighers: (Arnold Hoffman Co.), Walter Pilling, Wendell B. Carey.

Public Weighers: (Mt. Hope Finishing Co.), Joseph F. Alexandre, Leslie I. Atwood, Joseph Bargantine, Levite F. Carrier, Raymond M. Chadwick, Frank G. Dutra, William F. Hathaway, John L. Kudlacik, Louis J. Litalien, James F. McGowan, Henry J. Menard, Arthur A. Netto, Manuel Pacheco, Frank Posca, John Taylor, Harry Tranter, Jason E. Waterman.

Sealer of Weights and Measures: Donald B. Hathaway.

Inspector of Milk: Peter F. Connolly.

Social Worker: Bella M. Boucher.

Inspector of Animals: Lester Briggs.

Superintendent of Streets: Henry P. Goff.

Gypsy Moth Superintendent: George W. Rose.

Inspector of Slaughtering: Arthur F. Sprague.

Constable for South School: John Gray.

Constable for Somerset Water Works: Henry Reckord.

Auctioneer: John W. Synan.

Registrar of Voters: Antone Goulart.

Harbor Master: Wilbur Menges.

Accident Compensation Agent: Harry S. Bridgeford.

Measurer of Wood: Raymond Marble, Raymond Horton.

Field Driver and Pound Keeper: Raymond Horton.

Fence Viewer: Frank R. O'Connell, Arthur F. Sprague, Raymond Horton.

Agent of Health Department: Dwight F. Lane, John W. Synan.

Chief of Police: John W. Synan.

Chiefs of Fire Department: John W. Synan, Donald B. Hathaway.

Town Nurse: Esther Bowden, R.N.

Veterans' Agent: Theodore Boucher.

Election Officers: Precinct A—Anna Simmons, Catherine J. Sherman, Anna Carvalho, Selma V. Wall, Robert Phillips, Frank H. Boothby, Emily Boothroyd, Evelyn Synan, William J. Hagen, Kenneth A. Buckley. Precinct B—Lois Staples, Elaine B. Varley, Edna Horton, Hazel Horton, Helen E. Atwood, Florence M. Reed, Manuel Amaral, Catherine C. Carr, Henry E. Simonds, Francis W. Clemmey. Precinct C—Rose Bolger, Florence I. Perry, George W. Rose, Irene S. Goulart, Florence Sprague, Hazel Reed, Agnes Murray, George Gracia, William B. Suite.

Local Coordinator for Air Ground Observer Corps: Charles F. Day.

Local Director of Civil Defense: George H. Gilbert.

The regular State Primaries was held in the three precincts on September 19, 1950.

The Special Town Meeting held in the Town Hall on October 23, 1950 was called to order by the Moderator at 8 P. M. It was voted to dispense with the reading of the Warrant.

Voted: That the report of the Elementary School Planning Committee be tabled.

Voted: That the sum of \$550,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of constructing and originally equipping and furnishing an 18 room Elementary School Building, with an all-purpose room, auditorium, gymnasium, cafeteria, and that to meet the said appropriation the sum of \$80,000.00 be appropriated from Available Funds in the Treasury, and that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of \$120,000.00 under authority of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, and the sum of \$350,000.00 under authority of Chapter 456 of the acts of 1950, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor, payable in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than 20 years from the date of issue of the first bond or note. Be it further voted that no loan be issued under the above vote unless and until approval will have been obtained from the Massachusetts School Building Assistance Commission under authority of Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948 as amended.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,066.20 for the purpose of acquiring land for the construction thereon of an elementary school building and to authorize the Selectmen to take by eminent domain or purchase the following described parcels of land:

- Parcel No. 1 Belonging and supposed to belong to Evelyn I. Staples, containing approximately 18 acres, bounded on the East by Somerset Avenue, property of Evelyn I. Staples, Clayton H. and Norma H. Atwood, Louis L. and Charlotte J. Wood; on the South by Bristol County Agricultural School and Leslie I. and Alice Atwood; on the West by Montaup Electric Co.; on the North by Leland Bullard, Lyle C. and Marguerite Ingalls, Helen M. Whelden and Hattie L. French, Louis L. and Charlotte J. Wood, and Centre Street.
- Parcel No. 2 Belonging and supposed to belong to Lyle C. and Marguerite Ingalls, containing approximately 2 acres, bounded on the East by Leland Bullard property; on the South by Evelyn I. Staples property; on the West by Hattie L. French property; on the North by Lyle C. and Marguerite Ingalls property and a 40 foot right of way to Centre Street.
- Parcel No. 3 Belonging and supposed to belong to Leland Bullard containing approximately 2 acres, bounded on the East by Somerset Avenue; on the South by Evelyn I. Staples property; on the West by Lyle C. and Marguerite Ingalls property; on the North by the John W. Hampton property.

and that to meet the said appropriation the sum of \$137.54 be appropriated from the Truck and Equipment Fund, that the sum of \$2,440.86 be appropriated from the Witherell Fund, that the sum of \$3,733.05 be appropriated from the sale of Real Estate Fund, and that the sum of \$1,754.75 be appropriated from the balance in the High School Construction Account.

Voted: That the Elementary School Planning Committee be dismissed with a vote of thanks and re-appointed as an Elementary School Building Committee, and that two women be appointed by the Moderator to this committee. The two women appointed were Helen Lane and Eleanor Smith.

Voted: To adjourn at 11:13 P. M.

On November 7, 1950 State Election was held in all three precincts. Upon completion of counting and tabulating the returns made by Election Officers of the three precincts, the following was declared as results:

Governor

| | PRECINCTS | | | |
|--------------------|------------------|----------|----------|--------------|
| | A | B | C | Total |
| Paul A. Dever | 216 | 82 | 207 | 505 |
| Arthur W. Coolidge | 268 | 219 | 166 | 653 |
| Horace I. Hillis | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| Mark R. Shaw | 1 | 0 | 3 | 4 |
| Blanks | 7 | 8 | 9 | 24 |

Lieutenant Governor

| | | | | |
|--------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Charles F. Jeff Sullivan | 191 | 67 | 186 | 444 |
| Laurence Curtis | 291 | 232 | 186 | 709 |
| Lawrence Gilfedder | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Blanks | 9 | 11 | 14 | 34 |

Secretary

| | | | | |
|-------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Edward J. Cronin | 200 | 67 | 179 | 446 |
| Russell A. Wood | 274 | 230 | 183 | 687 |
| Ellsworth J. M. Dickson | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Fred M. Ingersoll | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Blanks | 17 | 13 | 23 | 53 |

Treasurer

| | | | | |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| John E. Hurley | 220 | 83 | 194 | 497 |
| Fred J. Burrell | 252 | 214 | 164 | 630 |
| Henning A. Blomen | 1 | 2 | 0 | 3 |
| Harold J. Ireland | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Blanks | 19 | 12 | 26 | 57 |

Auditor

| | | | | |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Thomas J. Buckley | 212 | 71 | 177 | 460 |
| William G. Andrew | 256 | 224 | 183 | 663 |
| Robert A. Simmons | 3 | 1 | 2 | 6 |
| Francis A. Votano | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Blanks | 21 | 15 | 24 | 60 |

Attorney General

| | | | | |
|---------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Francis E. Kelley | 194 | 73 | 188 | 455 |
| Frederick Ayer, Jr. | 275 | 224 | 174 | 673 |
| Anthony Martin | 6 | 1 | 1 | 8 |
| Howard B. Rand | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Blanks | 16 | 12 | 23 | 51 |

Congressman

| | | | | |
|----------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Joseph William Martin, Jr. | 337 | 246 | 232 | 815 |
| Edward P. Grace | 140 | 53 | 136 | 329 |
| Paul D. Cambell | 2 | 2 | 1 | 5 |
| Blanks | 13 | 10 | 17 | 40 |

Councillor

| | | | | |
|----------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Joseph P. Clark, Jr. | 203 | 74 | 193 | 470 |
| William Davis | 265 | 220 | 172 | 657 |
| Blanks | 24 | 17 | 21 | 62 |

Senator

| | | | | |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Francis J. O'Neil | 201 | 85 | 203 | 489 |
| John S. Ames, Jr. | 274 | 214 | 166 | 654 |
| Blanks | 17 | 12 | 17 | 46 |

Representative in General Court

| | | | | |
|--------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Stephen L. French | 310 | 237 | 230 | 777 |
| Charles J. Dermody | 153 | 59 | 134 | 346 |
| Blanks | 29 | 15 | 22 | 66 |

District Attorney

| | | | | |
|------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Maurice M. Lyons | 406 | 230 | 307 | 943 |
| Morton Luther | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Blanks | 86 | 81 | 78 | 245 |

County Commissioner

| | | | | |
|--------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Arthur R. Machado | 188 | 76 | 207 | 471 |
| Lester W. Macomber | 273 | 219 | 160 | 652 |
| Blanks | 31 | 16 | 19 | 66 |

Sheriff

| | | | | |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Patrick H. Dupuis | 411 | 263 | 312 | 986 |
| Blanks | 81 | 48 | 74 | 203 |

Question No. 1

Proposed amendment of the Constitution

| | | | | |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Yes | 267 | 177 | 197 | 641 |
| No | 74 | 34 | 52 | 160 |
| Blanks | 151 | 100 | 137 | 388 |

Question No. 2

Proposed amendment of the Constitution

| | | | | |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Yes | 221 | 147 | 170 | 538 |
| No | 107 | 61 | 73 | 241 |
| Blanks | 164 | 103 | 143 | 410 |

Question No. 3

Increase of minimum payments and change in
age eligibility of deserving aged persons

| | | | | |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Yes | 224 | 121 | 211 | 556 |
| No | 155 | 126 | 80 | 361 |
| Blanks | 113 | 64 | 95 | 272 |

Question No. 4

Law allowing a monthly lottery

| | | | | |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Yes | 165 | 82 | 153 | 400 |
| No | 211 | 161 | 137 | 509 |
| Blanks | 116 | 68 | 96 | 280 |

Question No. 5

Uniform rates compulsory automobile insurance

| | | | | |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| Yes | 16 | 8 | 9 | 34 |
| No | 442 | 293 | 359 | 1094 |
| Blanks | 34 | 10 | 17 | 61 |

Question No. 6

A. Pari-Mutuel System on Horses

| | | | | |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Yes | 341 | 185 | 242 | 768 |
| No | 115 | 105 | 94 | 314 |
| Blanks | 36 | 21 | 50 | 107 |

B. Pari-Mutuel System on Dogs

| | | | | |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Yes | 324 | 179 | 223 | 726 |
| No | 101 | 97 | 85 | 283 |
| Blanks | 67 | 35 | 78 | 180 |

Question No. 7

A. Liquor question (All alcoholic beverages)

| | | | | |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Yes | 328 | 183 | 267 | 778 |
| No | 127 | 106 | 79 | 312 |
| Blanks | 37 | 22 | 40 | 99 |

B. Liquor question (Wines and Malt beverages)

| | | | | |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Yes | 311 | 176 | 260 | 747 |
| No | 111 | 99 | 67 | 277 |
| Blanks | 70 | 36 | 59 | 165 |

C. Liquor question (All alcoholic beverages in Packages)

| | | | | |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Yes | 321 | 183 | 273 | 777 |
| No | 109 | 92 | 65 | 266 |
| Blanks | 62 | 36 | 48 | 146 |

Question No. 8

Continuation of Federal Rent Control in this Town

| | | | | |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Yes | 228 | 126 | 173 | 527 |
| No | 116 | 104 | 89 | 309 |
| Blanks | 148 | 81 | 124 | 353 |

Total Votes Cast 1189

The following licenses were issued during the year 1950:

All Alcoholic Restaurant Licenses:

| | Date of Issue | Date of Expiration |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Thomas F. DiNucci | Jan. 1, 1950 | Dec. 31, 1950 |
| Joseph W. & Myrtle L. Costa | Feb. 15, 1950 | Dec. 31, 1950 |
| James H. & William E. McCarthy | Sept. 27, 1950 | Dec. 31, 1950 |

All Alcoholic Package Store License:

| | | |
|--------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Annie Mendoza | Jan. 1, 1950 | Dec. 31, 1950 |
| Joseph B. Torres | Jan. 1, 1950 | Dec. 31, 1950 |
| Joseph Brazil, Jr. | May 17, 1950 | Dec. 31, 1950 |

Automobile Dealer's License:

| | | |
|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| Paul B. Lassen | Jan. 1, 1950 | Jan. 1, 1951 |
|----------------|--------------|--------------|

Auctioneer:

| | | |
|----------------|---------------|---------------|
| Rupert Bradley | Feb. 20, 1950 | Dec. 31, 1950 |
|----------------|---------------|---------------|

Cabins License:

| | | |
|------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Nathan T. Ladd | Mar. 7, 1950 | Dec. 31, 1950 |
| D. M. Angell | Mar. 9, 1950 | Dec. 31, 1950 |
| Fall River Girl Scouts | July 7, 1950 | Dec. 31, 1950 |

Common Victualler's License:

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|---------------|
| Thomas F. DiNucci | Jan. 3, 1950 | Dec. 31, 1950 |
| Albert Enos | Jan. 3, 1950 | Dec. 31, 1950 |
| David A. Gazzola | Jan. 3, 1950 | Dec. 31, 1950 |
| Mt. Hope Finishing Company | Jan. 3, 1950 | Dec. 31, 1950 |
| Gertrude M. Coyle | Jan. 3, 1950 | Dec. 31, 1950 |
| Theodore B. Ladd | Mar. 6, 1950 | Dec. 31, 1950 |
| Bristol Catering Company | June 7, 1950 | Sept. 1, 1950 |
| James H. & William E. McCarthy | Sept. 27, 1950 | Dec. 31, 1950 |

Dancing Permit:

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| James H. & William E. McCarthy | Oct. 6, 1950 | Dec. 31, 1950 |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|---------------|

Ice Cream Manufacture:

| | | |
|------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Theodore B. Ladd | Mar. 6, 1950 | Mar. 1, 1951 |
|------------------|--------------|--------------|

Junk License:

| | | |
|------------------|---------------|-------------|
| George F. Sylvia | Mar. 28, 1950 | May 1, 1951 |
| Paul F. Splaine | May 5, 1950 | May 1, 1951 |

Denatured Alcohol License:

| | | |
|------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Lassen's Garage | Jan. 1, 1950 | Dec. 31, 1950 |
| Geo. H. Phillips & Son | Jan. 1, 1950 | Dec. 31, 1950 |
| North Dighton Garage | Jan. 1, 1950 | Dec. 31, 1950 |
| Francis Garage | Jan. 1, 1950 | Dec. 31, 1950 |
| Carl P. Gorden | Jan. 1, 1950 | Dec. 31, 1950 |
| Richard DeMello | Jan. 1, 1950 | Dec. 31, 1950 |

Lord's Day License:

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Theodore B. Ladd | Mar. 6, 1950 | Apr. 30, 1951 |
| Joseph W. Costa | May 4, 1950 | Apr. 30, 1951 |
| Richard Parchesco & Clinton Rose | May 4, 1950 | Apr. 30, 1951 |
| Peter Kossoi | May 4, 1950 | Apr. 30, 1951 |
| John Pilling | May 5, 1950 | Apr. 30, 1951 |
| Albert Enos | May 8, 1950 | Apr. 30, 1951 |
| Thomas F. DiNucci | May 8, 1950 | Apr. 30, 1951 |
| William Benevides | May 8, 1950 | Apr. 30, 1951 |
| Harry S. Linnell | May 8, 1950 | Apr. 30, 1951 |

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|---------------|
| Samuel Pine | May 9, 1950 | Apr. 30, 1951 |
| Frank Rogers | May 9, 1950 | Apr. 30, 1951 |
| William Bliffins | May 16, 1950 | Apr. 30, 1951 |
| Manuel Andru | May 19, 1950 | Apr. 30, 1951 |
| Richard DeMello | May 29, 1950 | Apr. 30, 1951 |
| David A. Gazzola | May 29, 1950 | Apr. 30, 1951 |
| Taunton Yacht Club | June 20, 1950 | Apr. 30, 1951 |
| John A. Torres | June 30, 1950 | Apr. 30, 1951 |
| John Silva, Jr. | Aug. 24, 1950 | Apr. 30, 1951 |
| James H. & William E. McCarthy | Sept. 27, 1950 | Apr. 30, 1951 |

Milk Licenses: (Stores)

Bristol Catering Co., Albert Enos, William F. Benevides, P. Kossoi, Harry Linnell, Thomas F. DiNucci, Manuel P. Andru, John Silva, Jr., Gertrude M. Coyle, David & Ann Gazzola, Richard Parchesco & Clinton Rose, James H. & William E. McCarthy.

Milk Licenses: (Dealers)

Devine Milk Co., H. P. Hood & Sons, Townley Dairy, Berube's Dairy, Reise's Dairy, Laneway Farm.

Sausage Manufacturing License:

| | | |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Manuel Borges | Apr. 10, 1950 | Apr. 30, 1951 |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|

Wines & Malt Beverages:

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Bristol Catering Co. | June 7, 1950 | Sept. 1, 1950 |
| Portuguese-American Civic League | Aug. 26, 1950 | Aug. 26, 1950 |

Firearms License:

| | | |
|-------------------|--------------|---------------|
| William S. Paposa | Feb. 1, 1950 | Apr. 30, 1950 |
| William S. Raposa | May 1, 1950 | Apr. 30, 1951 |

Entertainment License on Lord's Day:

| | | |
|---|--------------|----------------|
| Dwight Webster, Alfred S. Rose, Elston R. Walker | July 2, 1950 | Sept. 10, 1950 |
|---|--------------|----------------|

A Dog Racing Meeting License was issued to the Taunton Greyhound Association, Inc., beginning June 30, 1950 and ending August 26, 1950, from 7:00 P. M. to 12:00 Midnight.

Attest:

DWIGHT F. LANE,
Town Clerk

Births Recorded During the Year 1950

| Date | Name | Parents |
|-----------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|
| JANUARY | | |
| 3 | James White | Manuel and Elaine R. White |
| 5 | John H. Crawford | John F. and Frances E. Crawford |
| 13 | William Munro Harris | Frederick A. and Agnes M. Harris |
| 14 | Melanie Mendoza | William J. and Evelyn D. Mendoza |
| 15 | Edward P. LeMieux | Edward E. and Carolyn T. LeMieux |
| 20 | Beverly Jane Lima | John and Fannie C. Lima |
| 30 | Suzanna Constantine | Alvan and Rosemary Constantine |
| FEBRUARY | | |
| 18 | Lawrence Costa | Antone and Elvera Costa |
| 21 | Dutra | Robert E. and Selvina L. Dutra |
| 28 | Janice L. Perry | Arthur and Lucille Perry |
| MARCH | | |
| 11 | Deanne E. Greenlaw | Henry D. and Margaret M. Greenlaw |
| 15 | Bonnie R. Tripp | Richmond J. and Caroline Tripp |
| 23 | John J. Nascimento | Joseph A. and Hilda F. Nascimento |
| 24 | Virginia Mae Leonard | Russell A. and Madeline A. Leonard |
| APRIL | | |
| 3 | Jean Margaret Bradley | Herbert J. and Ruth E. Bradley |
| 10 | Barbara Richard | William and Lillian Richard |
| MAY | | |
| 2 | Robert Alan Perry | Robert W. and Ann L. Perry |
| 4 | Joanne Souza | John and Regina Souza |
| 5 | James A. Ford | James and Rita D. Ford |
| 21 | Nancy Anne Rose | Andrew L. and Esther H. Rose |
| 31 | Russell L. Enos | Albert and Mary A. Enos |
| JUNE | | |
| 6 | Richard Wayne Gracia | Louis R. and Mary A. Gracia |
| 10 | Jeremiah M. Casey | Jeremiah M. and Shirley R. Casey |

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| Date | Name | Parents |
|------|------|---------|
|------|------|---------|

JULY

| | | |
|----|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 6 | Roger A. Carr | Everett L. and Esther J. Carr |
| 17 | Patricia Gail Dunne | James D. and Edith E. Dunne |
| 24 | Robert Howard Merrill | Lorenzo D. and Eva L. Merrill |
| 27 | Jeffrey Joseph Batt | Richard B. and Irene F. Batt |
| 30 | Steven C. Babbitt | Richard E. and Lynette Babbitt |
| 31 | William Arthur Ashcroft | William F. and Barbara L. Ashcroft |

AUGUST

| | | |
|----|----------------|--------------------------------|
| 12 | Sharon Goulart | George L. and Laura C. Goulart |
| 27 | Joseph Soares | Manuel and Mary M. Soares |

SEPTEMBER

| | | |
|----|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 5 | Barbara Ellen Scully | Vincent F. and Margaret A. Scully |
| 7 | Jane Knight Lucas | Herbert and Eva L. Lucas |
| 14 | Arthur Alfred Lenney | Arthur A. and Rose Lenney |
| 16 | Patricia Anne O'Connell | Henry P. and Elaine M. O'Connell |
| 18 | Allen Richard Silvia | Oscar E. and Margaret E. Silvia |
| 18 | Francis William Buckley | William F. and Helena Buckley |
| 18 | Pamela Jean Barrow | Kenneth G. and Elaine Barrow |
| 28 | Nancy Kathleen Brown | Roy O. and Annie E. Brown |
| 29 | Gary Todd Fleck | Joseph W. and Shirley M. Fleck |

OCTOBER

| | | |
|----|-----------------------|------------------------------|
| 2 | Patte Lynne LeForrest | Lawson and Mary E. LeForrest |
| 27 | Michael Silvia | Alvin and Beatrice G. Silvia |
| 28 | Joseph R. Rose | Joseph and Marion E. Rose |

NOVEMBER

| | | |
|----|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 11 | Sharon Ann Newcomb | Benjamin R. and Doris F. Newcomb |
| 14 | Salvador Calvillo Lopez | Salvador C. and Diana P. Lopez |
| 24 | Richard Edwin Costa | Anthony D. and Anne M. Costa |
| 28 | Frank David Penacho | John and Mary A. Penacho |

DECEMBER

| | | |
|---|----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 5 | Christine Joy Harris | Charles W. and Florence M. Harris |
|---|----------------------|-----------------------------------|

Marriages Recorded During the Year 1950

JANUARY

- 8 Donald R. Silva of Dighton and Dorothy Viera of Dighton by James K. Allen, Minister.
- 14 Vincent F. Scully, Jr. of Taunton and Margaret A. Synan of Dighton by Arthur W. Tansey, Priest.

FEBRUARY

- 4 Robert B. Simmons of Dighton and Mary Ellen O'Neill of Taunton by Francis McKeon, Priest.
- 18 Ralph E. Reynolds of Dighton and Terese A. Enos of Dighton by John F. Laughlin, Priest.

MARCH

- 18 Kenneth G. Barrow of Taunton and Elaine M. Costa of Dighton by Edward R. Sherblom, Clergyman.

APRIL

- 22 Edward R. Mello of Dighton and Joan M. Willette of Dighton by John F. Laughlin, Priest.
- 29 Roland A. Lortie of Dighton and Mary E. Baptista of Dighton by E. Sousa deMello, Priest.
- 29 Albert A. Motte of Dighton and Mary Rose of Taunton by Edward A. Oliveira, Priest.
- 29 Frank J. Jaros of Taunton and Shirley M. French of Dighton by John F. Laughlin, Priest.

MAY

- 13 William C. Bolger of Dighton and Margaret M. Perreault of Plainville by A. F. O'Brien, Priest.
- 20 Francis J. Librandi of Cos Cob, Conn. and Claire L. O'Connell of Dighton by William H. Dolan, Priest.
- 27 John J. Curley of Taunton and Florence E. Santos of Dighton by William H. Dolan, Priest.

JUNE

- 3 Robert A. Corey of Dighton and Agnes G. Sylvia of Taunton by Edward L. Killigrew, Priest.
- 3 Lester F. Ball of Dighton and Genevieve B. Zmuda of Fall River by Hugo R. Dylla, Priest.
- 3 John Lima of Taunton and Rose M. Evangelho of Dighton by William H. Dolan, Priest.
- 10 Frank E. Costa, Jr. of Dighton and Mary L. Souza of Taunton by Leo J. Duarte, Priest.
- 10 Ralph E. Rose of Dighton and Theresa V. Guertin of Seekonk by James E. O'Reilly, Priest.
- 17 Samuel S. Varbedian of Dighton and Agnes (Ekmakjian) Kapanagian of Providence, R. I. by Ephriam K. Jernazian, Clergyman.

AUGUST

- 12 Raymond E. Costa of Dighton and Ruth A. Buckman of Mansfield by Ralph F. Palmer, Minister.
- 19 Earl F. Horton, Jr. of Dighton and Frances I. Guimond of Attleboro by F. Anatole Desmarais, Priest.

- 25 Thomas J. Bianetti of Dighton and Blanche I. Harris of Providence, R. I. by James K. Allen, Minister.
- 26 Manuel F. Botelho of Taunton and Bernice L. Rose of Dighton by J. H. Pritchard, Minister.

SEPTEMBER

- 2 Leo Carpenter of Dighton and Lorraine P. Mello of Somerset by Christopher L. Broderick, Priest.
- 2 Alfred Anthony Corey of Dighton and Alice Correia of Dighton by William H. Dolan, Priest.
- 2 Lloyd R. Pomber of Taunton and Irene C. Francis of Dighton by John F. Laughlin, Priest.
- 4 Thomas F. Rose of Dighton and Anne M. Bennett of Dighton by William H. Dolan, Priest.
- 4 Manuel S. DeMello, Jr. of Dighton and Eleanor L. Genovese of Taunton by Francis McKeon, Priest.
- 4 Antone Compos of Dighton and Helen E. Sykes of Swansea by F. A. Cournoyer, Priest.
- 16 Louis P. Mello, Jr. of Somerset and Irene M. Marques of Dighton by John F. Laughlin, Priest.
- 16 John Q. Dillingham, Jr. of Berkeley and Lois E. Horton of Dighton by James H. Beal, Priest.
- 23 William H. Tokarz of Fall River and Stacia Miecznikowski of Dighton by John F. Laughlin, Priest.
- 29 John Pickering of Somerset and Frances M. Thomas of Dighton by Dwight F. Lane, Justice of the Peace.
- 30 Thomas P. Barry of Dighton and Jean Charlotte Haglund of Easton by O. Karl Olander, Minister.

OCTOBER

- 12 Richard A. Bennett of Holden and Patricia Marsden of Dighton by John W. Carter, Minister.
- 12 Laurence Carpenter of Dighton and Emily A. Carr of Dighton by Joseph H. Pritchard, Minister.
- 16 David F. Watkins of Southboro and Eunice Rose of Dighton by Dwight F. Lane, Justice of the Peace.
- 21 Gerald Raymond Castergine of Cranston, R. I. and Janet Elizabeth Smith of Dighton by William H. Dolan, Priest.
- 21 Franklin T. Lawry, Jr. of Dighton and Mildred A. Zagaja of Fall River by Lester L. Hull, Priest.
- 30 William L. Simonini of Warwick, R. I. and Yvette (Tatro) Reitsma of Providence, R. I. by Dwight F. Lane, Justice of the Peace.

NOVEMBER

- 1 Raymond T. Smith of Dighton and Eleanor (Moore) Thompson of Berkley by Henry L. Galipeau, Justice of the Peace.
- 4 Alfred J. Vaz of Dighton and Helen L. Bennett of Rehoboth by George H. Douglas, Minister.
- 11 Howard W. Talbot of Dighton and Mary I. Bouchard of Taunton by William H. Dolan, Priest.
- 11 John F. Rose of Dighton and Elinor A. Conboy of Swansea by A. O. Ponte, Priest.
- 11 Milford W. Rausch of Taunton and Patricia L. (Greenhalgh) Hindle of Dighton by Elliott O. Foster, Minister.
- 18 Norman E. Rose of Dighton and Elaine E. Horton of Dighton by J. H. Pritchard, Minister.

Death Recorded During the Year 1950

| Date | Name | Y. | M. | D. |
|----------|----------------------------|----|----|----|
| JANUARY | | | | |
| 1 | Walter Vernon Stead | 65 | | |
| 5 | Mary Perry Cambra | 71 | | |
| 5 | George Ellsworth McCracken | 53 | 7 | 15 |
| 11 | Hester W. Murray | 89 | | 18 |
| FEBRUARY | | | | |
| 1 | Elton L. Reed | 44 | | |
| 11 | Joseph P. White | 79 | | |
| 28 | Franklin B. Leonard | 81 | | |
| MARCH | | | | |
| 3 | Maria A. Mederios | 64 | | |
| APRIL | | | | |
| 14 | Charles J. Levinson | 72 | 6 | 3 |
| 23 | Annie Lassen | 75 | | 9 |
| 24 | Joseph M. Sylvia | 59 | 8 | 8 |
| JUNE | | | | |
| 9 | Francis Holman | 82 | 2 | 7 |
| 13 | Frank R. French | 73 | 7 | 11 |
| 18 | Maria G. Pacheco | 67 | 3 | 18 |
| JULY | | | | |
| 20 | Mary S. White | 49 | 4 | 4 |

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| Date | Name | Y. | M. | D. |
|------|------------------|----|----|----|
| 24 | Agnes M. Hallock | 60 | 0 | 13 |
| 31 | Gilbert Perry | 17 | 9 | 24 |

AUGUST

| | | | | |
|----|-----------------|----|----|----|
| 5 | Joseph W. Rose | 90 | 5 | 14 |
| 6 | Gaius E. Horton | 82 | 10 | 23 |
| 26 | Annie P. Colby | 90 | 5 | 4 |
| 28 | Mary P. White | 72 | | |

SEPTEMBER

| | | | | |
|----|-----------------|----|--|--|
| 3 | Charles Sariol | 80 | | |
| 21 | Carrie S. White | 70 | | |

OCTOBER

| | | | | |
|----|--------------------|----|----|----|
| 15 | Joseph Suite | 80 | 11 | 20 |
| 19 | Isaac B. Carpenter | 82 | 11 | 18 |
| 27 | Mary I. Hathaway | 78 | 11 | 10 |

NOVEMBER

| | | | | |
|----|-------------------|----|---|----|
| 20 | Alphonse Deschene | 57 | 9 | 20 |
| 24 | Elver M. Slade | 74 | 6 | 8 |

DECEMBER

| | | | | |
|----|---------------------|----|----|----|
| 16 | Henry C. L. Lincoln | 80 | 0 | 7 |
| 18 | Edna Cleveland | 75 | 11 | 23 |
| 19 | Harry Lee | 71 | | 19 |
| 28 | Frank A. Paull | 75 | 11 | 28 |

JURY LIST — 1950 - 1951

| Name | Occupation | Address | Post Office |
|--------------------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------|
| Adams, Clarence W. | Farmer | Elm St. | Dighton |
| Ashworth, Raymond | Dairyman | Somerset Ave. | Segreganset |
| Beck, Charles | Gift Shop Owner | Somerset Ave. | Dighton |
| Barry, Thomas P. | Student | Lincoln Ave. | No. Dighton |
| Boothby, Frank H. | Retired | Pearl St. | No. Dighton |
| Boucher, Maurice A. | Textile Worker | Riverside Ave. | No. Dighton |
| Boucher, Theodore E. | Textile Worker | Pleasant St. | Dighton |
| Bowen, Norman S. | Retired | Main St. | Dighton |
| Brooks, John | Inspector-Folder | Prospect St. | No. Dighton |
| Buckley, Kenneth A. | Unemployed | School St. | No. Dighton |
| Carpenter, Joseph Jr. | Truck Driver | Elm St. | Dighton |
| Carvalho, Manuel A. | Salesman | Main St. | Dighton |
| Chase, Kennth E. | Textile Worker | Bow St. | No. Dighton |
| Crawford, John | Floral Designer | Center St. | No. Dighton |
| Crotty, Osman D. | Cloth Inspector | Lincoln Ave. | No. Dighton |
| Deslauriers, Leo J. | Poultry Man | Brook St. | Dighton |
| Frietas, Tobias | Chemical Operator | Somerset Ave. | No. Dighton |
| Heath, Thomas | Textile Worker | Lincoln Ave. | No. Dighton |
| Ingalls, Lyle C. | Watchman | Center St. | Segreganset |
| Kay, Charles | Textile Worker | Chase St. | No. Dighton |
| Miguel, Manuel S. | Chemical Operator | Elm St. | Dighton |
| Millard, David A. | Instructor | Center St. | Segreganset |
| Newcomb, Benjamin R. | Textile Worker | Lincoln Ave. | No. Dighton |
| Perry, Dwight F. | Mechanic | Chase St. | No. Dighton |
| Philbrook, Wayne M. | Teacher | Somerset Ave. | No. Dighton |
| Poole, Eugene B. | Retired | Summer St. | No. Dighton |
| Reynolds, Henry J. | Service Manager | Center St. | Segreganset |
| Sears, Charles A. E. Jr. | Welder | Somerset Ave. | Segreganset |
| Simmons, Percy B. | Tax Collector | Lincoln Ave. | No. Dighton |
| Smith, Robert L. | Accountant | Spring St. | No. Dighton |
| Stafford, Lawrence | Textile Worker | Chase St. | No. Dighton |
| Wyeth, Edwin R. | Teacher | Center St. | Segreganset |

Jurors Drawn During 1950

January 11, 1950—

John Cash, Main St., Chemical Operator

Louis E. Wood, Center St., Stock Clerk

February 8, 1950—

Lyndon E. Hathaway, Center St., Textile Worker

Cassius W. Cummings, Main St., Ice Dealer

March 1, 1950—

Robert C. Chadwick, 116 School St., Textile Worker

April 5, 1950—

Willis T. Barlow, Main St., Watchman

May 10, 1950—

Francis W. Clemmey, Somerset Ave., Retired

August 9, 1950—

Manuel A. Carvalho, Main St., Salesman

Henry J. Reynolds, Center St., Service Manager

August 23, 1950—

Maurice A. Boucher, Riverside Ave., Textile Worker

October 10, 1950—

Joseph Carpenter, Jr., Elm St., Truck Driver

John Crawford, Center St., Floral Designer

October 18, 1950—

Theodore E. Boucher, Pleasant St., Textile Worker

November 15, 1950—

John Brooks, 63 Prospect St., Inspector-Folder

December 6, 1950—

Charles Beck, Somerset Ave., Gift Shop Owner

Annual Report of Dighton Assessors

We herewith submit to the citizens of Dighton our Annual Report for the year 1950.

Appropriations

| | | |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Town Appropriations | \$228,738.56 | |
| Appropriated from | | |
| Available Funds | 10,334.00 | |
| For Tax Title Foreclosure | 200.00 | |
| 1949 Overlay | 131.64 | |
| State Parks | 416.02 | |
| State Audit | 588.54 | |
| County Tax | 10,639.97 | |
| Tuberculosis Hospital | 6,765.90 | |
| Overlay | 2,448.82 | |
| | | \$260,263.45 |

Estimated Receipts

| | |
|---|--------------|
| Income Tax | \$ 39,416.58 |
| Corporation Taxes | 33,783.77 |
| Old Age Tax (meals) Chap. 64B | 312.81 |
| Chap. 804, Acts of 1949 | 92.61 |
| Old Age Tax (meals-Acts of 1949 Chap. 307) | 431.98 |
| Motor Vehicle Tax | 12,000.00 |
| Licenses | 1,900.00 |
| Fines | 50.00 |
| Charities (other than Federal Grants for A.D.C.) | 900.00 |
| Old Age Assistance | 12,000.00 |
| Schools | 24,600.00 |
| Libraries | 40.00 |
| Sealer of Weights & Measures | 70.00 |

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|----------------------------|-----------|
| Interest on Taxes | 255.00 |
| Aid to Depdendent Children | 2,000.00 |
| Overestimate of 1949 | |
| County Tax | 164.43 |
| Used from E. & D. | 10,334.00 |

\$138,351.18

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|--------------------------|----------------|
| Total Appropriations | \$260,263.45 |
| Total Estimated Receipts | 138,351.18 |
| Total Taxes Levied | |
| on Polls & Property | 121,912.27 |
| Value of Personal Estate | 325,128.00 |
| Tax | \$11,054.35 |
| Value of Real Estate | 3,204,586.00 |
| Tax | \$108,955.92 |
| Number of Polls | 968 |
| Tax | \$1,936.00 |
| Total Valuation | \$3,529,714.00 |
| Tax Rate | \$34.00 per M. |

Valuations

| | |
|-----------|---------------|
| Land | \$ 587,210.00 |
| Buildings | 2,617,376.00 |

\$3,204,586.00

Value of Personal Estate

| | |
|----------------|--------------|
| Stock in Trade | \$ 22,500.00 |
| Machinery | 11,375.00 |
| Live Stock | 50,703.00 |
| Other Personal | 240,550.00 |

\$325,128.00

Motor Vehicles

| | |
|-----------|--------------|
| Valuation | \$493,590.00 |
| Taxes | 17,629.03 |

Live Stock

| | |
|-------------------------|--------|
| Number of Horses | 48 |
| Number of Cows | 229 |
| Number of Bulls | 1 |
| Number of Yearlings | 67 |
| Number of Steers | 2 |
| Number of Swine | 19 |
| Number of Sheep | 2 |
| Number of Fowl | 11,721 |
| Number of Goats | 6 |
| Number of Acres of Land | 12,580 |
| Number of Dwellings | 732 |

Electric Light District

| | | |
|--------------------------|---------------|------------|
| Total Appropriation | \$3,200.00 | |
| Overlay | 51.19 | |
| | | |
| Total Levied | | \$3,251.19 |
| Value of Real Estate | \$925,140.00 | |
| Tax | \$2,590.39 | |
| Value of Personal Estate | 235,995.00 | |
| Tax | \$660.80 | |
| Tax Rate | \$2.80 per M. | |

North Dighton Fire District

| | | |
|----------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Total Appropriation | \$6,850.00 | |
| State Audit | 3.57 | |
| Overlay | 6.43 | |
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| | | \$6,860.00 |
| Estimated Receipts (Water Rates) | | 4,540.34 |
| | | |
| Total Levied | | \$2,319.66 |

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|--------------------------|----------------|
| Value of Real Estate | \$1,134,236.00 |
| Tax | \$2,268.47 |
| Value of Personal Estate | 25,595.00 |
| Tax | 51.19 |
| | \$2,319.66 |
| | \$1,159,831.00 |

Tax Rate \$2.00 per M.

Exempted Property

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Dighton Schools | \$215,900.00 |
| Bristol County Agricultural Schools | \$282,610.00 |
| Libraries | 19,000.00 |
| Fire Department | 18,000.00 |
| Police Department | 5,000.00 |
| Sealer of Weights | 50.00 |
| Highway Department | 2,000.00 |
| Cemeteries | 1,050.00 |
| Charitable Institutions | 4,850.00 |
| Water Companies | 31,000.00 |
| Churches and Parsonages | 127,100.00 |
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| | \$706,560.00 |

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK R. O'CONNELL
ARTHUR F. SPRAGUE
RAYMOND A. HORTON

Board of Assessors

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Report on Poll and Personal Property Taxes

| | | |
|---------------------------|---------------|------------|
| Balance 1949 Poll Taxes | | |
| due Dec. 31, 1949 | \$18.00 | |
| Added Interest | .20 | \$18.20 |
| | <hr/> | |
| | Credit | |
| Paid Treasurer | 10.20 | |
| Abatements | 8.00 | \$18.20 |
| | <hr/> | |
| 1950 Poll Tax Warrants | 1,908.00 | \$1,908.00 |
| | Credit | |
| Paid Treasurer | 1,662.00 | |
| Abatements | 236.00 | |
| Balance due Dec. 31, 1950 | 10.00 | \$1,908.00 |
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| Balance 1948 Personal | | |
| due Dec. 31, 1949 | 26.01 | |
| Added Interest | .03 | \$26.04 |
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| | Credit | |
| Paid Treasurer | .54 | |
| Abatements | 25.50 | \$26.04 |
| | <hr/> | |
| Balance 1949 Personal | | |
| due Dec. 31, 1949 | 785.39 | |
| Added Interest | 9.77 | \$795.16 |
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Credit

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|---------------------------|--------|----------|
| Paid Treasurer | 580.43 | |
| Abatements | 42.00 | |
| Balance due Dec. 31, 1950 | 172.73 | \$795.16 |

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|------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| 1950 Personal Property | | |
| Warrants | 11,144.79 | |
| Added Interest | 1.81 | \$11,146.60 |

Credit

| | | |
|---------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Paid Treasurer | 10,523.72 | |
| Abatements | 15.30 | |
| Balance due Dec. 31, 1950 | 607.58 | \$11,146.60 |

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|------------------------|--------|----------|
| Balance of 1948 Excise | | |
| due Dec. 31, 1949 | 236.25 | |
| Added Interest | 3.81 | \$240.06 |

Credit

| | | |
|----------------|--------|----------|
| Paid Treasurer | 70.42 | |
| Abatements | 169.64 | \$240.06 |

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|------------------------|--------|------------|
| Balance of 1949 Excise | | |
| due Dec. 31, 1949 | 932.75 | |
| Additional Warrants | 90.79 | |
| Added Interest | 13.90 | \$1,037.44 |

Credit

| | | |
|----------------|----------|--|
| Paid Treasurer | 1,033.37 | |
|----------------|----------|--|

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|----------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Abatements | 4.07 | \$1,037.44 |
| 1950 Excise Warrants | 17,621.01 | |
| Added Interest | 4.57 | \$17,625.58 |

Credit

| | | |
|---------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Paid Treasurer | 15,770.22 | |
| Abatements | 417.26 | |
| Balance due Dec. 31, 1950 | 1,438.10 | \$17,625.58 |

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|---|----------|------------|
| Balance of 1948 Real Estate due Dec. 31, 1949 | 1,339.07 | |
| Added Interest | 55.84 | \$1,394.91 |

Credit

| | | |
|----------------|--------|------------|
| Paid Treasurer | 922.51 | |
| Tax Titles | 472.40 | \$1,394.91 |

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| Balance 1949 Real Estate due Dec. 31, 1949 | 5,581.61 | |
| Added Interest | 77.21 | \$5,658.82 |

Credit

| | | |
|---------------------------|----------|------------|
| Paid Treasurer | 3,565.57 | |
| Abatements | 7.00 | |
| Tax Titles | 297.25 | |
| Balance due Dec. 31, 1950 | 1,789.00 | \$5,658.82 |

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|---------------------------|------------|--------------|
| 1950 Real Estate Warrants | 109,159.41 | |
| Added Interest | 18.29 | \$109,177.70 |

Credit

| | | |
|---------------------------|------------|--------------|
| Paid Treasurer | 102,453.76 | |
| Abatements | 586.50 | |
| Tax Titles | 551.99 | |
| Balance due Dec. 31, 1950 | 5,585.45 | \$109,177.70 |

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|---|------|--------|
| Balance of 1949 Personal due Dec. 31, 1949 | 1.80 | |
| Added Interest | .02 | \$1.82 |

Credit

| | | |
|--|-------|---------|
| Paid Treasurer | 1.82 | \$1.82 |
| Balance of 1949 Real Estate due Dec. 31, 1949 | 14.20 | |
| Added Interest | .10 | \$14.30 |

Credit

| | | |
|---------------------------|------|---------|
| Paid Treasurer | 5.30 | |
| Balance due Dec. 31, 1950 | 9.00 | \$14.30 |

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|------------------------------------|----------|------------|
| 1950 Real and Personal Warrants | 2,319.66 | |
| Added Interest | .02 | \$2,319.68 |

Credit

| | | |
|---------------------------|----------|------------|
| Paid Treasurer | 2,292.63 | |
| Abatements | 4.40 | |
| Balance due Dec. 31, 1950 | 22.65 | \$2,319.68 |

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|--------------------------|-------|--------|
| Balance of 1948 Personal | | |
| due Dec. 31, 1949 | 6.75 | |
| Added Interest | .25 | \$7.00 |
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Credit

| | | |
|----------------|-------|--------|
| Paid Treasurer | 4.75 | |
| Abatements | 2.25 | \$7.00 |
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|--------------------------|-------|---------|
| Balance of 1948 Real | | |
| Estate due Dec. 31, 1949 | 73.35 | |
| Added Interest | 2.61 | \$75.96 |
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Credit

| | | |
|----------------|-------|---------|
| Paid Treasurer | 47.46 | |
| Tax Titles | 28.50 | \$75.96 |
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|-----------------------|-------|---------|
| Balance 1949 Personal | | |
| due Dec. 31, 1949 | 20.26 | |
| Added Interest | .11 | \$20.37 |
| | <hr/> | |

Credit

| | | |
|---------------------------|-------|---------|
| Paid Treasurer | 9.38 | |
| Abatements | 2.43 | |
| Balance due Dec. 31, 1950 | 8.56 | \$20.37 |
| | <hr/> | |

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| Balance 1949 Real Estate | | |
| Dec. 31, 1949 | 196.99 | |
| Added Interest | 2.73 | \$199.72 |
| | <hr/> | |

Credit

| | | |
|---------------------------|--------|----------|
| Paid Treasurer | 119.77 | |
| Tax Titles | 31.07 | |
| Balance due Dec. 31, 1950 | 48.88 | \$199.72 |
| | <hr/> | |

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|------------------------|----------|------------|
| 1950 Real and Personal | | |
| Warrants | 3,251.19 | |
| Added Interest | 1.04 | \$3,252.23 |
| | <hr/> | |

Credit

| | | |
|---------------------------|----------|------------|
| Paid Treasurer | 3,030.47 | |
| Abatements | 17.64 | |
| Tax Titles | 29.12 | |
| Balance due Dec. 31, 1950 | 175.00 | \$3,252.23 |
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Respectfully Submitted,

PERCY B. SIMMONS,

Collector of Taxes

Report of Superintendent of Streets

To the Board of Selectmen:

I hereby submit my annual report as Superintendent of Streets:

General Account

| | |
|--|-----------------|
| Various streets, cleaning out catch basins, tree work, gravelling, scraping, brush, and putting up guard rails | \$1632.04 |
| Snow Plowing, Sanding and Sand | 447.75 |
| Grading on Town Dump and Pipe | 151.20 |
| Material and Picks Sharpened | 156.61 |
| Safety Signs and Concrete Post | 62.84 |
| Beacon Light | 36.00 |
| Tree Warden | 35.00 |
| Superintendent of Streets | 240.00 |
| | <hr/> \$2761.44 |

Chapter 81:

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|--|-----------|
| Brook Street, Gravelling, Scraping, Tarring and Brush | \$ 406.10 |
| Centre Street, Patching, Tarring, Guard Rail, Brush and Catch Basin | 1456.17 |
| Chase Street, Tarring and Ledge | 852.07 |
| Elm Street, Gravelling, Scraping, Drainage, ledge and Catch Basin | 1689.23 |
| Forest Street, Tarring and Brush | 332.10 |
| Horton Street, Scraping and Brush | 260.00 |
| Hart Street, Gravelling, Grading, Drainage, Brush and Catch Basin | 2043.72 |
| Main Street, Tarring, Brush and Drainage | 1301.98 |

| | |
|--|-------------|
| Pine Street, Gravelling, Scraping, Brush, Excavating and Ledge | 1329.95 |
| Pearl Street, Tarring | 275.00 |
| Smith Street, Gravelling, Scraping, Grading, Excavating, Ledge and Tarring | 3611.16 |
| Tremont Street, Gravelling, Scraping, Grad- ing,, Excavating, Brush and Tarring | 2865.97 |
| Williams Street, Gravelling, Scraping, Patch- ing, Drainage, Brush and Tarring | 948.34 |
| Walker Street, Brush and Tarring | 291.05 |
| Various Streets, Gravelling, Patching, Drain- age, Brush and Scraping | 1887.09 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$19,549.93 |

Chapter 90:

Main Street, Tarring \$3000.00

I wish to thank the members of the Board of Selectmen for their cooperation in carrying on the Highway Work.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY P. GOFF

Superintendent of Streets

Report of Tree Warden

To the Board of Selectmen:

Herewith is my report as Tree Warden for the year 1950:

I have made inspections in conjunction with the Hixon Tree Company.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY P. GOFF

Tree Warden

Report of North Dighton Fire Department for 1950

To the Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report for the North Dighton Fire Department for the year ending December 31, 1950:

| | |
|------------------------------|-------|
| Automobile fire | 1 |
| Chimney fire | 3 |
| Dump fire | 3 |
| Grass and Brush fire | 7 |
| House fire | 1 |
| Barn fire | 1 |
| Shed fire | 2 |
| Woods fire | 7 |
| Garage fire | 1 |
| Motor Truck fire | 1 |
| Industrial fire | 1 |
| Oil Burner fire | 1 |
| Old Lumber fire | 1 |
| Out of Town fire | 1 |
| Call to remove cat from tree | 1 |
| Needless alarms | 5 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total calls | 37 |

Our fire fighting equipment is in good condition, but consideration must be given to the purchase of new

hose, both 2½" and 1½" to replace some hose that has been in use for several years.

The needs for various items that may be necessary for Civilian Defense will require some planning, but this will be brought to your attention later, when we know more about what our requirements will be.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. SYNAN,
Chief of North Dighton

Fire Department and
Forest Warden

Report of Dighton Fire Department

Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen.

I hereby submit the report for the Dighton Fire Department for the year ending December 31, 1950.

There were 70 calls for the Department as follows:

| Type | Number |
|-----------------------------|--------|
| Automobile | 5 |
| Barn | 3 |
| Branches on Wires | 1 |
| Brush | 5 |
| Building (small) | 3 |
| Chimney | 5 |
| Chimney (removed from roof) | 1 |
| Dump | 8 |
| Dwelling | 4 |
| Grass | 15 |

| | |
|--------------------------|----|
| Oil Burners | 1 |
| Rubbish | 3 |
| Tree | 1 |
| Tree (removed from road) | 1 |
| Wood (Piled) | 2 |
| Woods | 12 |

The following are approximate figures on the amount of water pumped, hose laid and ladders raised:

24,080 gallons water
17,850 ft. Booster Hose
3,600 ft. 1½ inch Hose
1,350 ft. 2½ inch Hose
380 ft. Ladders raised

The personnel of the Department is as follows: Chief, Ass't. Chief, Captain, two Lieutenants and twenty-five Firefighters.

The Department aided the Town of Berkley three times this year, twice for woods and once for a dwelling fire.

Drills on various phases of fire fighting were conducted during the year.

We wish to express our appreciation to the Town Officials and Citizens of the Town for their fine co-operation and assistance throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD B. HATHAWAY

Chief of Dighton
Fire Department

Report of Dighton Ambulance

Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit the report for the Dighton Ambulance for the year ending December 31, 1950.

During the year the ambulance made 36 trips as follows:

| | |
|--------------------------------------|----|
| To Morton Hospital—Taunton | 19 |
| To State Hospital—Taunton | 1 |
| To Truesdale Hospital—Fall River | 3 |
| To Union Hospital—Fall River | 3 |
| To Linnell Convalescent Home—Dighton | 1 |
| To Wheeler Convalescent Home—Dighton | 1 |
| To Weichel's Rest Home—Dighton | 1 |
| To Automobile Accidents—Dighton | 2 |
| From Morton Hospital—Taunton | 2 |
| From Mass. General Hospital—Boston | 1 |
| From Chastenay Home—Rehoboth | 1 |
| Patients Handled— | 37 |
| Cases of Illness | 27 |
| Victims of Automobile Accidents | 7 |
| Occupational Accidents | 3 |

The Resuscitator purchased last year was used for the first time in January of this year and was credited with saving the life of one of our townspeople.

I wish to thank the Officers and Members of the Dighton Fire Department who have so willingly donated their services in manning the ambulance.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD B. HATHAWAY

Chief of Dighton
Fire Department

Dogs Licensed in 1950

The following licenses were issued during the year:

| | |
|----------|-----------|
| Breeders | 1 |
| Male | 281 |
| Female | 34 |
| Spayed | 52 |
| Total | <hr/> 368 |

Report of Police Department

To the Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith the report for the Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1950:

Record of Arrests

| | |
|---|----------|
| Assault and Battery | 1 |
| Assault with dangerous weapon | 1 |
| Drunkenness | 5 |
| Illegitimate Child Act | 4 |
| Larceny | 5 |
| Operating Motor Vehicle while under influence of intoxicating liquor | 3 |
| Operating Motor Vehicle negligently | 7 |
| Operating Motor Vehicle, miscella- neous violations | 10 |
| Neglect to Provide | 3 |
| Morals Law violation | 1 |
| Robbery | 1 |
| Delinquent Child Act | 2 |
| Arrests and Summons for other Cities and Towns | 39 |
| State Hospital Commitments | 3 |
| Total | <hr/> 85 |
| Reports to Registry of Motor Vehicles | 136 |
| Automobile Accidents (Fatal) | 2 |
| Automobile Accidents (Resulting in personal injury) | 28 |

| | |
|---|-----|
| Automobile Accidents (Property Damage only) | 42 |
| Automobile Accidents (Persons Injured) | 46 |
| Complaints received and investigated | 819 |
| Street Lights reported out | 245 |
| Abandoned automobiles found, owner notified | 4 |
| Stolen automobiles found, owner notified | 2 |
| Store Doors found unlocked | 3 |

Every City and Town is having a greater automobile traffic problem each year, and Dighton is no exception. The greater number of registered vehicles and the ever increasing number of new drivers on the highways tends to increase the traffic hazards. While most of the motorists obey the traffic rules and regulations, there are so many that apparently have no regard for speed regulations, safety signs or the rights of others, the traffic problem is what it is today.

In an effort to prevent injury to school children, an officer is on duty at the intersection of Main and County Street each morning, at noon and in the afternoon so that the children who have to cross the intersection to or from school may cross in safety.

I wish to thank our citizens and all agencies of the Town who have helped us in maintaining order in our community.

Respectfully submitted

JOHN W. SYNAN,

Chief of Police

Dighton Public Library Report

To the Selectmen of the Town of Dighton, I herewith submit my report for the year 1950:

| | |
|---|---------|
| Total circulation of books and magazines | 14,122 |
| Adult books | 6,456 |
| Juvenile books | 6,935 |
| Magazines | 731 |
| Number of persons using the reading room | 559 |
| Number of books repaired | 256 |
| Collected in fines | \$35.32 |

During the year 210 books were added, 19 of which were gifts.

Respectfully submitted,

HELENA CHAMBERLAIN,

Librarian

Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures

To the Board of Selectmen:

I hereby submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1950.

I have tested, adjusted and sealed the following:

38 Scales—16 adjusted
53 Weights—2 adjusted
14 Liquid Measures
29 Automatic Liquid Measuring
Devices—2 adjusted

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD B. HATHAWAY

Sealer of Weights
and Measures

Report of Gypsy Moth Superintendent

To the Board of Selectmen:

Trees have been painted on the streets of Dighton where moth nests were found as ordered by the Board of Selectmen under State supervision at a cost of \$187.65.

The spraying was done by the State Tree Experts, Inc. at a cost of \$402.50.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE W. ROSE,

Gypsy Moth Superintendent

Report of the Elementary School Planning Committee

Details and specifications are now in preparation by Mr. I. T. Almy, Architect for the new school to be built on land purchased by the Town from Evelyn Staples, Leland Bullard, L. C. and Marguerite Ingalls. The plans call for a one-story, eighteen room construction built in two wings. One wing, with twelve classrooms for the older children, parallels Somerset Ave. The other wing, with six classrooms for the younger children, parallels Center Street. A combination auditorium, gymnasium and cafeteria, fifty by seventy feet, is off the lobby where the corridors to the two wings join. Adequate storage room, a principal's office, separate toilet and playground areas for younger and older children are provided in the plans.

The first plans submitted to the State School Building and Assistance Commission, headed by Mr. John Marshall, were rejected for certain technical reasons. Revised plans were then accepted. These were studied and simplified by Mr. Almy, so we are now working with the third set of plans. These have been approved both by Mr. Marshall and by the State Commissioner of Public Safety.

Maximum efficiency in heating, ventilation, lighting, and safety are foremost considerations in the new school. The walls will be of glass brick with supporting columns of red brick. Nobody knows in the face of rising prices and material shortages what the outcome will be,

but the committee is making every reasonable effort to carry out the wishes of the voters in providing a modern school building for the elementary school pupils of Dighton.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES K. ALLEN, Chairman
Elementary School Planning Committee

Report of Director of Civil Defense

To the Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

Since my appointment as Director of Civil Defense on September 13, 1950, the outlook for world peace has not notably improved; indeed, both the President of the United States and His Excellency, the Governor of this Commonwealth have declared a State of Emergency to exist. This indicates that your foresight in taking steps to be prepared for any possible contingency was well timed.

As the needs appear to be (1) disseminating of information to all our citizens, and (2) effective organization for protection and relief, existing organizations and personnel have been utilized so far as possible, expanded and supplemented to meet these needs as follows:

1. Administration Division. Personnel: George H. Gilbert, Director, Harry E. Bridgford and Arthur Staples, Deputy Directors.

2. Medical and Health Division. Personnel: Dr. Charles M. Souza, Chairman.

3. Rescue, Transportation and Evacuation Division. Personnel: LeRoy Latimer, Chairman.

4. Protection Division. (Police and Fire) Personnel: John W. Synan, Chairman.

5. Communications Division. Personnel: Charles Day, Chairman.

6. Utilities Division. Personnel: Harry Tranter, Chairman.

7. Civilian War Aid Division. Personnel: John Rolfe, Chairman.

Training for effective duty in case of emergency is under way. Steps have also been taken to reach every home and citizen of the community with information that will reduce hazards and so far as possible safeguard their well being in case of emergency; and will enable them to render more effective service if called upon to assist neighboring communities.

The chairmen of the several Divisions of the Emergency organization are charged with the responsibility of expanding and training the personnel for their several lines of service and with providing needed equipment and supplies.

Respectfully submitted, as a report of progress.

GEORGE H. GILBERT, Director.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Citizens and Taxpayers of the Town of Dighton:

Herewith is a report of the financial transactions of the Town of Dighton for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1950.

Classification of Treasurer's Receipts for 1950

Cash Balance as of January 1, 1950. \$164,480.16

Received from Tax
Collector:

| | |
|------------------------|--------------|
| 1948 Real Estate | |
| Taxes | \$ 866.67 |
| 1949 Real Estate | |
| Taxes | 3,488.36 |
| 1950 Real Estate | |
| Taxes | 102,435.47 |
| 1948 Personal Property | |
| Taxes | .51 |
| 1949 Personal Property | |
| Taxes | 570.66 |
| 1950 Personal Property | |
| Taxes | 10,521.91 |
| 1949 Poll Taxes | 10.00 |
| 1950 Poll Taxes | 1,662.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$119,555.58 |

1948 Motor
 Vehicle Excise \$ 66.61

| | | |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|
| 1949 Motor | | |
| Vehicle Excise | 1,019.47 | |
| 1950 Motor | | |
| Vehicle Excise | 15,765.65 | |
| | <hr/> | 16,851.73 |

Interest on Taxes:

| | | |
|----------------------------|----------|--------------------|
| Real Estate | \$151.34 | |
| Personal Property | 11.61 | |
| Poll | .20 | |
| Motor Vehicle | | |
| Excise | 22.28 | |
| | <hr/> | 185.43 |
| Total Collector's Receipts | | <hr/> \$136,592.74 |

Commonwealth of
Massachusetts:

| | | |
|-------------------|-------------|-----------|
| Income Tax | \$39,635.97 | |
| Corporation | | |
| Tax—(Bus.) | 28,206.96 | |
| Meals Tax | 801.89 | |
| Corp. Tax | | |
| Franchise | 92.61 | |
| Veterans' Service | 813.75 | |
| Vocational | | |
| Education | 5,964.04 | |
| School | | |
| Superintendency | 2,393.43 | |
| High School | | |
| Transportation | 5,000.00 | |
| | <hr/> | 82,908.65 |

Departmental Receipts:

| | |
|----------------|----------|
| Town Nurse | \$ 47.00 |
| Town Librarian | 37.32 |

| | | |
|---------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Sealer of Weights & Measures | 61.20 | |
| School Dept.— | | |
| Miscellaneous | 159.70 | |
| School Dental Fund | 449.50 | |
| Telephone Calls | 8.05 | |
| | <hr/> | 762.77 |

Departmental Revenue:

Aid to Dependent Children:

| | | |
|---------------------|-----------|-------------|
| From State | | \$ 2,464.70 |
| Board of Health: | | |
| From State | | 494.29 |
| Old Age Assistance: | | |
| From State | 17,106.65 | |
| From Cities | 625.64 | |
| From Towns | 298.63 | |
| | <hr/> | 18,030.92 |

Welfare:

| | | |
|-------------|--------|----------|
| From Cities | 814.46 | |
| From Towns | 873.63 | |
| | <hr/> | 1,688.09 |

School Department:

| | | |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|
| Tuition (towns) | 22,570.75 | |
| Tuition (other) | 489.00 | |
| Telephone | 72.48 | |
| | <hr/> | 23,132.23 |

| | | |
|------------------------|-------|--|
| Dighton-Berkley Bridge | 3.60 | |
| General Government | 4.73 | |
| | <hr/> | |

45,818.56

Aid to Highway Revenue:

Chapter 81

From State 12,466.70

Chapter 90:

State 5,760.33

County 2,880.17

8,640.50

Chapter 90 Maintenance:

State 500.00

County 500.00

1,000.00

22,107.20

U. S. Grants:

Aid to Dependent Children

Administration 206.46

Old Age Assistance

Administration 876.90

Aid to Dependent

Children 2,937.50

Old Age

Assistance 16,380.39

Smith-Hughes Fund 220.71

20,621.96

Town Clerk:

Dog Licenses 801.80

Court Fines 30.00

Federal Tax—

Withholding 14,676.05

County Retirement 976.15

Road Machinery

Fund 1,872.00

18,356.00

Grants and Gifts:

| | |
|--------------------|-----------|
| Police Department— | |
| (Special) | 14,797.83 |
| Fire Department— | |
| (Special) | 600.00 |
| Taunton Greyhound | |
| Association | 500.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 15,897.83 |

Licenses:

| | |
|--------------------|----------|
| Common Victualler | \$45.00 |
| Lord's Day | 51.00 |
| Sausage | 5.00 |
| Milk | 9.50 |
| Ice Cream | |
| Manufacturing | 5.00 |
| Beer Permit | 1.00 |
| Alcoholic Bev. | 1,250.00 |
| Package Store | 400.00 |
| Oyster Privilege | 50.00 |
| Auto Dealer | 10.00 |
| Gas Renewal | 4.50 |
| Denatured Alcohol | 7.00 |
| Dancing Permit | 9.00 |
| Garbage Permit | .50 |
| Peddler | 8.00 |
| Firearms | 6.00 |
| Auctioneer | 2.00 |
| Golf Driving Range | 10.00 |
| Junk | 10.00 |
| Cabin | 1.50 |
| Advertising Costs | 17.06 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 1,902.06 |

Tax Titles and Possessions:

| | | |
|-----------------|--------|--------|
| Tax Titles | 142.85 | |
| Tax Possessions | 150.00 | |
| | <hr/> | 292.85 |

Miscellaneous:

| | |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Cemetery Bequest | 50.00 |
| Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds | 180.50 |
| Charles S. Chase Trust Fund | 20.10 |
| Fire Insurance Adjustment | 114.96 |
| County of Bristol Dog Fund | 603.07 |
| High School Cafeteria Fund | 6,492.05 |
| High School Athletic Fund | 610.67 |
| School Milk Account | 408.43 |

Recoveries:

| | |
|-----------------------|-------|
| Old Age Assistance | 44.00 |
| Public Welfare | 19.55 |
| School Department | 1.20 |
| High School Cafeteria | 18.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 82.75 |

| | | |
|----------------|-------|--------------|
| Total Receipts | <hr/> | \$353,823.15 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$518,303.31 |

Expenditures for 1950

Departmental:

General Government:

Selectmen's Department:

| | | |
|------------------|----------|------------|
| Salaries | \$840.00 | |
| Clerks Salaries | 761.72 | |
| Travel Expense | 64.72 | |
| Association Dues | 25.00 | |
| Miscellaneous | 30.01 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,721.45 |

Auditing Department:

| | | |
|------------------|--------|--------|
| Salary | 571.50 | |
| Office Supplies | 46.09 | |
| Association Dues | 4.00 | |
| | <hr/> | 621.59 |

Treasury Department:

| | | |
|-------------------------|--------|----------|
| Salary | 850.00 | |
| Surety Bond | 95.00 | |
| Travel Expense | 39.59 | |
| Printing and Postage | 62.75 | |
| | <hr/> | 1,047.34 |

Tax Collector's Department:

| | | |
|------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Salary | 1,050.00 | |
| Surety Bond | 146.00 | |
| Rent | 75.00 | |
| Printing, Station- ery, Postage | 378.91 | |
| Warrant Investigation | 24.00 | |
| Miscellaneous | 51.68 | |
| | <hr/> | 1,725.59 |

Assessor's Department:

| | | |
|------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Salaries | 1,800.00 | |
| Clerks Salaries | 87.50 | |
| Travel Expense | 84.05 | |
| Printing, Station- ery, Postage | 137.69 | |
| Miscellaneous | 12.30 | |
| | <hr/> | 2,121.54 |

Town Clerk's Department:

| | | |
|------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Salary | 450.00 | |
| Clerk Salary | 24.00 | |
| Surety Bond | 7.50 | |
| Association Dues | 5.00 | |
| Printing, Station- ery, Postage | 468.95 | |
| Recording Fees | 4.50 | |
| | <hr/> | 959.95 |

Election and Registration:

| | | |
|------------------------------------|--------|----------|
| Registrars | 300.00 | |
| Election Officers | 542.00 | |
| Census | 280.00 | |
| Printing, Station- ery, Postage | 37.50 | |
| Miscellaneous | 15.00 | |
| | <hr/> | 1,174.50 |

Town Office Department:

| | | |
|------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Insurance on Public Property | 3,377.19 | |
| Telephone | 73.43 | |
| Printing, Station- ery, Postage | 133.67 | |
| | <hr/> | 3,584.29 |

Other Expenses:

| | | |
|--------------------------|----------|--|
| Printing Town Reports | \$662.40 | |
| Advertising Costs | 36.12 | |
| Moderator—Salary | 20.00 | |
| Hydrant Rental | 150.00 | |

| | | |
|---------------|--------|-------------|
| Care of Play- | | |
| ground | 18.00 | |
| Legal Fees | 234.46 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,120.98 |
| Total General | | |
| Government | | \$14,077.23 |

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police Department:

| | | |
|-------------------|----------|-------------|
| Salary—Chief | \$500.00 | |
| Wages of Officers | 513.00 | |
| Mileage | 455.00 | |
| Telephone | 96.95 | |
| Postage | 13.70 | |
| Supplies | 8.90 | |
| New Equipment | 68.46 | |
| Miscellaneous | 50.50 | |
| | <hr/> | \$ 1,706.51 |

Police Department—Special:

| | | |
|-------------------|------------|-------------|
| Mount Hope Fin- | | |
| ishing Co. | \$6,446.83 | |
| Taunton Greyhound | | |
| Assn. | 8,196.00 | |
| Agricultural | | |
| School | 155.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$14,797.83 |

Fire Department:

| | | |
|------------------|------------|--|
| Wages | \$1,481.61 | |
| Janitor | 120.00 | |
| New Apparatus | 119.16 | |
| Truck Repairs | 505.87 | |
| Gasoline and Oil | 173.76 | |

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|----------------|-------------|
| Fuel | 188.75 |
| Light | 43.90 |
| Telephone | 210.25 |
| Burner Repairs | 25.00 |
| Miscellaneous | 39.75 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 2,908.05 |

Fire Department—Special:

| | |
|----------------------------|----------|
| Taunton Greyhound Assn. | \$600.00 |
|----------------------------|----------|

Police & Firemen Accident Insurance:

| | |
|------------------|----------|
| Group Disability | \$330.00 |
|------------------|----------|

Fire Truck

| | |
|-----------|------------|
| Equipment | \$1,834.00 |
|-----------|------------|

Total Protection of Persons and Property

\$22,176.39

Health and Sanitation:

Board of Health:

Administration

| | |
|-------------------|-----------|
| Salaries | \$ 400.00 |
| Nurse's Salary | 1,284.24 |
| Medical Treatment | 40.00 |

Tuberculosis:

| | |
|------------------------|--------|
| Board and Treatment | 69.00 |
| Water Delivery | 543.47 |
| Milk Inspector | 250.00 |
| Animal Inspector | 175.00 |
| Playground Rental | 35.00 |

Ambulance:

| | |
|-------------------------|-------|
| Repairs, gas and oil | 80.39 |
| Oxygen | 38.00 |
| Laundry | 3.00 |

Sealer, Weights &
Measures:

| | |
|---------------|--------|
| New Dies | 8.12 |
| Salary | 100.00 |
| Telephone | 72.85 |
| Miscellaneous | 47.95 |

Vital Statistics:

| | |
|-------------------|-------------|
| Births | 121.50 |
| Deaths | 46.50 |
| Marriages | 50.00 |
| Affidavits | 14.00 |
| Doctor's Fees | 11.75 |
| Undertakers' Fees | 6.25 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 3,397.02 |

Mosquito Control:

| | |
|----------------------------|----------|
| State Reclamation Board | \$225.00 |
|----------------------------|----------|

Gypsy Moth:

| | |
|----------|----------|
| Wages | \$187.65 |
| Spraying | 402.50 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$590.15 |

| | | |
|-----------------------------|-------|------------|
| Total Health and Sanitation | <hr/> | \$4,212.17 |
|-----------------------------|-------|------------|

Highways and Bridges:

Street Department:

| | | |
|----------------------------|----------|-------------|
| Salary—Supt. | \$240.00 | |
| Salary—Tree | | |
| Warden | 35.00 | |
| Wages | 1,467.55 | |
| Gasoline and oil | 9.29 | |
| Gravel, stone, etc. | 11.19 | |
| Equipment and re- pairs | 388.16 | |
| Bridge Repairs | 276.25 | |
| Snow & Ice | | |
| Removal | 288.00 | |
| Beacon Mainte- nance | 36.00 | |
| Miscellaneous | 10.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$ 2,761.44 |

Dighton-Berkley Bridge:

| | | |
|----------------|----------|-----------|
| Wages | \$840.00 | |
| Electric Power | 12.00 | |
| Repairs | 5.61 | |
| | <hr/> | \$ 857.61 |

Chapter 90:

| | | |
|-----------------|---------|-----------|
| Pleasant St. | | |
| Bridge | \$89.20 | |
| Dighton-Berkley | | |
| Bridge | 299.25 | |
| | <hr/> | \$ 388.45 |

Chapter 90:

| | | |
|-------------------|--|-------------|
| Construction—Wil- | | |
| liams Street | | \$11,124.26 |

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Chapter 90 Maintenance:

| | | |
|-----------|-------------------|-------------|
| Wages | \$17.00 | |
| Materials | 1,483.00 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$ 1,500.00 |

Chapter 81:

| | | |
|-----------|-------------------|-------------|
| Labor | \$6,953.70 | |
| Hired Ma- | | |
| chinery | 7,416.50 | |
| Materials | 5,179.73 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$19,549.93 |

Road Machinery Account:

| | | |
|---------------|-------------------|-----------|
| Gasoline and | | |
| Oil | \$421.49 | |
| Truck Repairs | 65.69 | |
| Equipment Re- | | |
| pairs | 21.70 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$ 508.88 |

Care of Town Elms:

| | | |
|-----------------------|-------------------|--|
| Pruning | \$400.00 | |
| Sidewalk Maintenance: | | |
| Labor | \$148.80 | |
| | <u> </u> | |

Total Highways and Bridges \$37,239.37

Charities and Veterans' Benefits:

Aid to Dependent Children:

Direct Aid:

| | | |
|------|-------------------|-------------|
| Cash | \$7,165.55 | |
| Kind | 910.30 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$ 8,075.85 |

Old Age Assistance:

Direct Aid:

| | |
|----------------|-------------|
| Cash | \$35,811.90 |
| Kind | 3,598.28 |
| Outside Relief | 47.77 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$39,457.95 |

Old Age Assistance:

| | |
|----------------------|------------|
| Administration Wages | \$1,262.38 |
|----------------------|------------|

Public Welfare:

| | |
|----------------|----------|
| Groceries | \$503.28 |
| Fuel | 150.33 |
| Board and Care | 922.36 |
| Rent | 192.00 |
| Medical Care | 448.70 |
| Cash Grants | 1,961.00 |
| Clothing | 465.36 |
| Funeral Costs | 140.00 |

Outside Relief:

| | |
|----------------|-------------|
| Various Cities | 1,646.89 |
| Various Towns | 501.37 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 6,931.29 |

General Relief Administration:

| | |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| Administration salaries | \$400.00 |
| Clerks—Salaries | 1,380.90 |
| Social Worker | 38.10 |
| Telephone | 162.91 |
| Mileage | 23.22 |
| Office Supplies | 114.96 |
| Miscellaneous | 13.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 2,133.09 |

Veterans' Benefits:

| | | |
|------------------|----------|-------------|
| Salary—Agent | \$100.00 | |
| Direct Aid | 1,399.80 | |
| Medical Care | 358.80 | |
| Funeral Expenses | 102.00 | |
| Miscellaneous | 5.00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$ 1,965.60 |

Christmas Donations:

| | | |
|----------------------------|-------|----------|
| Taunton Greyhound Assn. | <hr/> | \$500.00 |
|----------------------------|-------|----------|

Total Charities and Veterans' Benefits \$60,326.16

Schools and Library:

School Department:

(for classification,
see School Report) \$139,211.33

U. S. Grants:

Wages:

| | | |
|------------------------|--------|-----------|
| George B. Dean Fund | \$2.04 | |
| Smith-Hughes Fund | 204.93 | |
| | <hr/> | \$ 206.97 |

School Water Supply:

| | | |
|----------------|----------|-----------|
| Labor | \$240.00 | |
| Electric Power | 136.29 | |
| | <hr/> | \$ 376.29 |

Elementary School Planning
Committee Expense:

| | | |
|---|--|----------|
| Legal Services, Ap- praisals, Surveys, Etc. | | \$577.13 |
|---|--|----------|

New Elementary School Site:

| | |
|------------------|------------|
| Purchase of Land | \$7,900.00 |
|------------------|------------|

High School Cafeteria:

| | |
|---------------|-------------|
| New Equipment | \$552.44 |
| Labor | 1,342.00 |
| Food | 3,329.33 |
| Miscellaneous | 141.40 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 5,365.17 |

High School Athletic Fund:

| | |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| New Equipment | \$119.37 |
| Officers and miscellaneous | 139.13 |
| Transportation | 95.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 353.50 |

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| School Milk Account | \$193.03 |
|---------------------|----------|

Public Library:

| | |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Salary—Librarian | \$500.00 |
| Janitor | 230.00 |
| Books & Periodicals | 472.11 |
| Book Repairs | 46.70 |
| Fuel | 181.55 |
| Light | 36.75 |
| Miscellaneous | 16.40 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 1,483.51 |

| | | |
|--------------------------|-------|--------------|
| Total School and Library | <hr/> | \$155,666.93 |
|--------------------------|-------|--------------|

Unclassified and Miscellaneous:

Estimated Receipts:

| | |
|---------------------|---------|
| Poll Tax Fees | \$30.45 |
| School Fire Account | 114.96 |

| | | |
|--|-------------------|-----------|
| Preparing Deeds | 5.00 | |
| Dighton Elec. Light District (a/c Tax Title) | 7.31 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$ 157.72 |

Town Cemetery Account:

| | |
|-------|----------|
| Labor | \$187.20 |
|-------|----------|

Memorial Day:

| | | |
|---------|-------------------|-----------|
| Flags | \$37.50 | |
| Flowers | 70.40 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$ 107.90 |

| | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|
| Total Unclassified and Miscellaneous | \$452.82 |
|--------------------------------------|----------|

Interest and Maturing Debt:

Interest:

| | | |
|----------------------|-------------------|----------|
| High School Bonds | \$300.00 | |
| High School Notes | 46.88 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$346.88 |

Bond and Note Payments:

| | | |
|----------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| High School Bonds | \$4,000.00 | |
| High School Notes | 2,500.00 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$ 6,500.00 |

| | |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Total Interest and Maturing Debt | \$6,846.88 |
|----------------------------------|------------|

Agency and Trust Funds:

Trust Funds:

| | |
|------------------|-----------|
| Cemetery P. C. | |
| Funds | \$180.50 |
| Charles S. Chase | |
| Fund | 20.10 |
| Cemetery Bequest | 50.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 250.60 |

State:

| | |
|-------------|-----------|
| State Parks | \$416.17 |
| State Audit | 491.44 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 907.61 |

County Tax:

| | |
|--------------------|-------------|
| County Tax | \$10,104.99 |
| T. B. Hospital | |
| Assessment | 3,815.03 |
| Retirement Assess- | |
| ment | 593.15 |
| Dog Licenses | 801.80 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$15,314.97 |

Federal Withholding Taxes:

| | |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Withheld from wages | \$13,252.35 |
|---------------------|-------------|

County Retirement Fund:

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Withheld from wages | \$892.18 |
|---------------------|----------|

| | |
|------------------------------|-------------|
| Total Agency and Trust Funds | \$30,617.71 |
|------------------------------|-------------|

Refunds:

Taxes:

| | |
|------------------|--------|
| 1950 Real Estate | \$6.80 |
|------------------|--------|

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1950 Mot. Veh.

| | | |
|--------|-------------------|-----------|
| Excise | 401.21 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$ 408.01 |

\$ 408.01

Amount Paid Out and Returned:

Old Age Assistance \$44.00

| | |
|----------------|-------|
| Public Welfare | 19.55 |
|----------------|-------|

| | |
|-------------------|------|
| School Department | 1.20 |
|-------------------|------|

High School Cafeteria 22.00

\$86.75

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|--------------------|--------------|
| TOTAL EXPENDITURES | \$332,110.42 |
|--------------------|--------------|

Cash Balance as of December 31, 1950 \$186,192.89

DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT

General Government:

| | |
|---------------|-------------|
| Appropriation | \$14,084.93 |
|---------------|-------------|

| | |
|--------------|-----------|
| Expenditures | 14,077.23 |
|--------------|-----------|

| | |
|---------|--------|
| Balance | \$7.70 |
|---------|--------|

Police Department:

| | |
|---------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$2,000.00 |
|---------------|------------|

| | |
|--------------|----------|
| Expenditures | 1,706.51 |
|--------------|----------|

| | |
|---------|----------|
| Balance | \$293.49 |
|---------|----------|

Fire Department:

| | |
|---------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$2,725.00 |
|---------------|------------|

| | |
|-----------------|--------|
| Reserve Account | 183.05 |
|-----------------|--------|

2,908.05

| | |
|--------------|----------|
| Expenditures | 2,908.05 |
|--------------|----------|

Balance None

Fire Truck Equipment:

| | |
|--------------------------|------------|
| From Excess & Deficiency | \$1,834.00 |
| Expenditures | 1,834.00 |

Balance

None

Police & Firemen Accident Insurance:

| | |
|---------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$330.00 |
| Expenditures | 330.00 |

Balance

None

Gypsy Moth:

| | |
|---------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$1,000.00 |
| Expenditures | 590.15 |

Balance

\$409.85

Care of Town Elms:

| | |
|---------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$400.00 |
| Expenditures | 400.00 |

Balance

None

Board of Health:

| | |
|---------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$3,893.60 |
| Expenditures | 3,397.02 |

Balance

\$496.58

Mosquito Control:

| | |
|---------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$225.00 |
| Expenditures | 225.00 |

Balance

None

Dighton-Berkley Bridge:

| | |
|---------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$900.00 |
| Expenditures | 857.61 |

| | |
|---------|---------|
| Balance | \$42.39 |
|---------|---------|

Street Department:

| | |
|---------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$3,500.00 |
| Expenditures | 2,761.44 |

| | |
|---------|----------|
| Balance | \$738.56 |
|---------|----------|

Chapter 81:

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| Appropriation | \$6,900.00 |
| From Excess & Deficiency (State's share) | 12,650.00 |
| | <hr/> 19,550.00 |
| Expenditures | 19,549.93 |

| | |
|---------|--------|
| Balance | \$.07 |
|---------|--------|

Chapter 90:

| | |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| Jan. 1, 1950 Balance | \$3,287.85 |
| Expenditures | 388.45 |
| Returned to Excess and Deficiency | 2,899.40 |
| | <hr/> \$3,287.85 |

| | |
|---------|------|
| Balance | None |
|---------|------|

Chapter 90 Maintenance:

| | |
|------------------------|----------------|
| Appropriation | \$500.00 |
| State and County Share | 1,000.00 |
| | <hr/> 1,500.00 |
| Expenditures | 1,500.00 |

| | |
|---------|------|
| Balance | None |
|---------|------|

Chapter 90 Construction:

| | |
|----------------------|----------|
| Jan. 1, 1950 Balance | \$610.92 |
| Expenditures | None |

| | |
|---------|----------|
| Balance | \$610.92 |
|---------|----------|

Chapter 90—Williams Street:

| | |
|--------------------------|------------|
| From Excess & Deficiency | \$3,500.00 |
| State and County Share | 10,500.00 |

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|-----------|
| 14,000.00 |
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|--------------|-----------|
| Expenditures | 11,124.26 |
|--------------|-----------|

| | |
|---------|------------|
| Balance | \$2,875.74 |
|---------|------------|

Road Machinery Account:

| | |
|--------------------------|----------|
| From Road Machinery Fund | \$400.00 |
| Reserve Account | 174.00 |

| |
|--------|
| 574.00 |
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| | |
|--------------|--------|
| Expenditures | 508.88 |
|--------------|--------|

| | |
|---------|---------|
| Balance | \$65.12 |
|---------|---------|

Truck and Equipment for Highway Department:

| | |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Jan. 1, 1950 Balance | \$137.54 |
| Transfer to New School Site | 137.54 |

| | |
|---------|------|
| Balance | None |
|---------|------|

Sidewalk Maintenance:

| | |
|---------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$400.00 |
| Expenditures | 148.80 |

| | |
|---------|----------|
| Balance | \$251.20 |
|---------|----------|

Land Taking Costs:

| | |
|---------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$200.00 |
| Expenditures | None |

| | |
|---------|----------|
| Balance | \$200.00 |
|---------|----------|

Aid to Dependent Children:

| | |
|-----------------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$6,000.00 |
| Jan. 1, 1950, Balance | 266.61 |
| U. S. Grant | 2,937.50 |

| | |
|--------------|----------|
| | 9,204.11 |
| Expenditures | 8,075.85 |

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| Balance—U. S. Grant | \$1,128.26 |
|---------------------|------------|

Old Age Assistance:

| | |
|-----------------|-------------|
| Appropriation | \$23,000.00 |
| Reserve Account | 1,300.00 |
| U. S. Grant | 16,380.39 |

| | |
|--------------|-----------|
| | 40,680.39 |
| Expenditures | 39,457.95 |

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| Balance—U. S. Grant | \$1,222.44 |
|---------------------|------------|

General Relief Administration:

| | |
|-----------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$2,000.00 |
| Reserve Account | 138.66 |

| | |
|--------------|----------|
| | 2,138.66 |
| Expenditures | 2,133.09 |

| | |
|---------|--------|
| Balance | \$5.57 |
|---------|--------|

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Veterans' Benefits:

| | | |
|---------------|------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$3,500.00 | |
| Expenditures | 1,965.60 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Balance | | \$1,534.40 |

Public Welfare:

| | | |
|---------------|------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$8,000.00 | |
| Expenditures | 6,931.29 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Balance | | \$1,068.71 |

School Department:

| | | |
|---------------------------|--------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$138,940.00 | |
| Dog Fund | 603.07 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| | 139,543.07 | |
| Transfer to Athletic Fund | 55.04 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| | 139,488.03 | |
| Expenditures | 139,211.33 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Balance | | \$276.70 |

George B. Dean Fund:

| | | |
|----------------------|--------|------|
| Jan. 1, 1950 Balance | \$2.04 | |
| Expenditures | 2.04 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Balance | | None |

Smith-Hughes Fund:

| | | |
|-----------------------|----------|----------|
| Jan. 1, 1950, Balance | \$324.27 | |
| U. S. Grant | \$220.71 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| | 544.98 | |
| Expenditures | 204.93 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Balance—U. S. Grant | | \$340.05 |

School Water Supply:

| | | |
|---------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$700.00 | |
| Expenditures | 376.29 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Balance | | \$323.71 |

Expenses of School Planning Committee:

| | | |
|-----------------------|----------|---------|
| Jan. 1, 1950, Balance | \$200.00 | |
| Appropriation | 200.00 | |
| Reserve Account | 260.00 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| | 660.00 | |
| Expenditures | 577.13 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Balance | | \$82.87 |

Public Library:

| | | |
|---------------|------------|---------|
| Appropriation | \$1,500.00 | |
| Expenditures | 1,483.51 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Balance | | \$16.49 |

Memorial Day:

| | |
|-----------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$100.00 |
| Reserve Account | 7.90 |

107.90

| | |
|--------------|--------|
| Expenditures | 107.90 |
|--------------|--------|

Balance

None

County Retirement Contribution:

| | |
|---------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$593.15 |
| Expenditures | 593.15 |

Balance

None

Tax Title Redemption:

| | |
|---------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$200.00 |
| Expenditures | None |

Balance

\$200.00

Town Cemetery Account:

| | |
|-----------------------|---------|
| Jan. 1, 1950, Balance | \$17.00 |
| Appropriation | 300.00 |

317.00

| | |
|--------------|--------|
| Expenditures | 187.20 |
|--------------|--------|

Balance

\$129.80

Tuberculosis Hospital Tax:

| | |
|---------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$3,815.03 |
| Expenditures | 3,815.03 |

Balance

None

Civil Defense Account:

| | |
|-----------------|----------|
| Reserve Account | \$100.00 |
| Expenditures | None |

Balance

\$100.00

Charles S. Chase Trust Fund:

| | |
|------------------------|---------|
| Received from Interest | \$20.10 |
| Expenditures | 20.10 |

Balance

None

Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds:

| | |
|------------------------|----------|
| Received from Interest | \$180.50 |
| Expenditures | \$180.50 |

Balance

None

Christmas Fund:

| | |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Taunton Greyhound Assn. | \$500.00 |
| Expenditures | 500.00 |

Balance

None

Police Department—Special:

| | |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Mount Hope Finishing Co. | \$6,446.83 |
| Taunton Greyhound Assn. | 8,196.00 |
| Agricultural School | 155.00 |

14,797.83

| | |
|--------------|-----------|
| Expenditures | 14,797.83 |
|--------------|-----------|

Balance

None

Fire Department—Special:

| | |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Taunton Greyhound Assn. | \$600.00 |
| Expenditures | 600.00 |

Balance

None

Interest on Bonds and Notes:

| | |
|---------------|----------|
| Appropriation | \$346.88 |
| Expenditures | 346.88 |

Balance

None

High School Bond Retirement:

| | |
|---------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$4,000.00 |
| Expenditures | 4,000.00 |

Balance

None

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High School Addition Note Payments:

| | |
|---------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$2,500.00 |
| Expenditures | 2,500.00 |

 Balance

None

New Elementary School Site:

| | |
|----------------------------|------------|
| Sale of Real Estate Fund | \$3,733.05 |
| Witherell Bequest Fund | 2,440.86 |
| High School Construction | 1,754.75 |
| Truck Equipment—Hwy. Dept. | 137.54 |

 8,066.20

| | |
|--------------|----------|
| Expenditures | 7,900.00 |
|--------------|----------|

 Balance

\$166.20

Reserve Account:

| | |
|--|------------|
| From Overlay Surplus | \$5,000.00 |
| Fire Dept. | 183.05 |
| Road Mach. Acct. | 174.00 |
| Old Age Assistance | 1,300.00 |
| Gen. Rel. Adm. | 138.66 |
| Expenses of School Plan- ning Committee | 260.00 |
| Memorial Day | 7.90 |
| Civil Defense Acct. | 100.00 |

 \$ 2,163.61

 Balance

\$2,836.39

| | |
|------------------------------|-------------|
| Total Appropriation Balances | \$11,442.67 |
|------------------------------|-------------|

| | |
|---|-----------|
| Revenue Receipts over Assessor's Estimate | 20,511.09 |
|---|-----------|

 Surplus Revenue to Excess and Deficiency

| | |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| Account for the year 1950 | \$31,953.76 |
|---------------------------|-------------|

I certify, to the best of my knowledge and belief, that the reports contained herein are correct. The cash balances of all officers intrusted with the receipt, custody or expenditure of money have been verified and all such books and accounts are in order. The Tax Collector's report as published is correct. All payments to the Treasurer have been properly warranted, and all receipts have been recorded. Cash and Securities of the Trust Funds have been verified, all income accounted for, and all payments warranted.

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH D. LEEMING,

Town Auditor.

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

| ASSETS | | LIABILITIES and RESERVES | |
|---------------------------------|------------------|--|-------------------|
| | | LIABILITIES: | |
| Cash | \$186,192.89 | | |
| Accounts Receivable: | | U. S. Grants: | |
| 1949 Real Estate Taxes | \$1,789.00 | Aid to Dependent Children Adm. | \$472.08 |
| 1949 Personal Property Taxes | 172.73 | Old Age Assistance Adm. | 462.82 |
| 1950 Poll Taxes | 10.00 | Aid to Dependent Children | 1,128.26 |
| 1950 Real Estate Taxes | 5,585.45 | Old Age Assistance | 1,222.44 |
| 1950 Personal Property Taxes | 607.58 | Smith-Hughes Fund | 340.05 |
| | <u>8,164.76</u> | | <u>\$3,625.65</u> |
| 1950 Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes | 1,420.43 | Loan Authorized and Unissued | 470,000.00 |
| Tax Possessions | 1,000.23 | Elementary School Building Construction | 80,000.00 |
| Tax Titles | 2,285.32 | Tailings | 53.41 |
| Departmental: | | New Elementary School Site | 166.20 |
| Aid to Dependent Children | \$922.22 | Chapter 90 Construction | 610.92 |
| Board of Health | 32.86 | Road Machinery Fund | 4,217.63 |
| Dighton-Berkley Bridge | 3.60 | Land Taking Costs | 200.00 |
| School Department | 10,400.70 | Expenses of Elementary School Planning Committee | 82.87 |
| | <u>11,359.38</u> | Civil Defense Account | 100.00 |
| | | Town Cemetery Account | 129.80 |

| | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---|-------------------|
| Aid to Highways: | | | Federal Withholding Tax—December 1950 | 1,419.70 |
| State—Chapter 81 | \$4,123.06 | | County Retirement Fund—December 1950 | 83.97 |
| State—Chapter 90 | 1,437.87 | | High School Cafeteria Fund | 1,126.88 |
| County—Chapter 90 | 718.93 | | High School Athletic Fund | 312.21 |
| | <u> </u> | 6,279.86 | School Milk Account | 215.40 |
| Loan Authorized for Elementary School | 470,000.00 | | 1951 Revenue: County Assessments | 2,222.84 |
| 1951 Revenue: | | | County Taxes | 534.98 |
| State Taxes and Assessments | \$101.63 | | RESERVES: | |
| 1949 Overlay | 57.00 | | Overlay, Reserved for Abatement of 1950 | |
| | <u> </u> | 158.63 | Taxes | 1,604.22 |
| | | | Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus | 10,013.67 |
| | | | Revenue Reserved until collected: | |
| | | | State and County Aid to Highways | |
| | | | Revenue | 6,279.86 |
| | | | Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Revenue | 1,420.43 |
| | | | Tax Title Revenue | 2,285.32 |
| | | | Tax Possession Revenue | 1,000.23 |
| | | | Departmental Revenue | 11,359.38 |
| | | | EXCESS and DEFICIENCY—Surplus | |
| | | | Revenue | 87,795.93 |
| | | <u> </u> | | <u> </u> |
| | | \$686,861.50 | | \$686,861.50 |

DEBT ACCOUNTS

| | | | |
|-----------------|-------------|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Net Funded Debt | \$10,500.00 | High School Construction Bonds | \$8,000.00 |
| | | High School Addition Notes | 2,500.00 |
| | | | <hr/> |
| | | | \$10,500.00 |

TRUST ACCOUNTS

Trust Funds:

Cash and Securities

| | | |
|-------------|----------------------------|-------------|
| \$14,292.32 | Cemetery P. C. Funds | \$8,148.73 |
| | Joshua Bliss Cemetery Fund | 5,133.59 |
| | Charles S. Chase Fund | 1,010.00 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$14,292.32 |

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OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
OF THE TOWN OF
DIGHTON

Year Ending December 31, 1950

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

| | Term Expires |
|--|--------------|
| Eugene M. White, Chairman North Dighton | 1952 |
| Edward C. French, Secretary North Dighton | 1951 |
| Lawrence Mendoza Dighton | 1951 |
| Richard DeMello Dighton | 1952 |
| Charles Swartz North Dighton | 1953 |
| Anthony Andrews North Dighton | 1953 |

Superintendent

John J. Rolfe, B. Ed., M. Ed.

Residence: 117 School Street, North Dighton

Office: Dighton High School, Segreganset

Telephone: Dighton 3361 (Office)

Taunton 2-0698 (Home)

Office Hours:

Monday through Friday, 8:30 A. M.-9:30 A. M.
and by appointment.

Secretary

Gladys P. Babbitt

School Physician

Charles M. Souza, M.D.

School Nurse

Esther Bowden, R.N.

Attendance Supervisor

Howell S. Carr

GENERAL INFORMATION

Entrance Age

First grade registration in September of any year will be limited to those children who are at least six years of age or who will become six years of age on or before the following January 1. There will be no exceptions made to this ruling.

Birth Certificates

Presentation of a birth certificate is required for entrance to the first grade.

Vaccination

Every child who enters school for the first time must present a certificate of vaccination or a statement from his physician that vaccination is inadvisable.

NO SCHOOL INFORMATION

Elementary Schools

Whenever it seems advisable to close the elementary schools the notice will be broadcast over Radio Station WPEP, Taunton, and over Radio Station WSAR, Fall River. In addition, in North Dighton the street lights will be turned on from 7:45 to 8 A. M. In South Dighton three blasts on the Anchor Color and Gum Works whistle will be sounded at 7:45 A. M.

High School

Whenever the school buses can be safely operated there will be school at Dighton High School unless un-

foreseen emergencies make it necessary to close. In the event of closing, the information will be specifically announced over the radio as indicated above for the elementary schools.

Transportation

The law requires that transportation be provided for pupils residing more than two miles from the school attended or more than one mile from the nearest bus stop. Many pupils living at lesser distances along established routes are transported if the seating capacity of the bus will permit. From time to time it is necessary to refuse transportation to some of those living under the required distance when our buses are filled to capacity with children living at a greater distance.

SCHOOL CALENDAR**Calendar Year 1951****Dighton High School**

| | |
|--------------|-------------------|
| School opens | January 2, 1951 |
| closes | February 16, 1951 |
| School opens | February 26, 1951 |
| closes | April 13, 1951 |
| School opens | April 23, 1951 |
| closes | June 15, 1951 |
| School opens | September 5, 1951 |
| closes | December 21, 1951 |

Elementary Schools

| | |
|--------------|-------------------|
| School opens | January 2, 1951 |
| closes | February 16, 1951 |
| School opens | February 26, 1951 |
| closes | April 13, 1951 |
| School opens | April 23, 1951 |
| closes | June 8, 1951 |
| School opens | September 5, 1951 |
| closes | December 14, 1951 |

School will close on the following days:

March 23—Good Friday

May 30—Memorial Day

October 12—Columbus Day

October 26—Teachers' Convention

November 22 and 23—Thanksgiving Recess

FINANCIAL STATEMENT**Receipts**

| | |
|---------------|--------------|
| Appropriation | \$138,940.00 |
| Dog Tax | 603.07 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$139,543.07 |

Expenditures

| | |
|------------------------|--------------|
| General Control | \$6,860.15 |
| Transportation | 9,526.97 |
| Teachers' Salaries | 91,786.44 |
| Books | 1,790.89 |
| Supplies | 2,946.54 |
| Janitors' Salaries | 10,190.00 |
| Fuel | 3,165.85 |
| Electricity | 1,728.66 |
| Gas | 178.85 |
| High School Athletics | 500.00 |
| Miscellaneous | 1,017.75 |
| Boiler Repairs | 125.40 |
| Janitors' Supplies | 1,146.21 |
| Repairs | 1,550.56 |
| Health | 2,333.72 |
| New Equipment | 1,312.68 |
| Library | 372.35 |
| Staff Expenses | 16.84 |
| Tuition | 34.80 |
| Vocational Education: | |
| General Shop—Day | 1,551.13 |
| Practical Arts—Evening | 120.00 |
| Household Arts—Day | 85.58 |
| Dental Fund | 925.00 |
| Balance | 276.70 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$139,543.07 |

NET COST TO TOWN

| | |
|--------------------|--------------|
| Expenditures, 1950 | \$139,266.37 |
|--------------------|--------------|

Receipts, 1950:

| | |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| Chapter 70, General | |
| School Aid | \$31,110.97 |
| Reimbursement, Superin- | |
| tendent's Salary and | |
| Travel | 2,393.43 |
| Reimbursement, Vocational | |
| Education | 5,964.04 |

Tuition:

| | |
|------------------------|----------|
| Berkley | 6,834.65 |
| Freetown | 7,741.90 |
| Rehoboth | 8,952.80 |
| Gosnold | 150.00 |
| Miscellaneous Tuition | 527.50 |
| Miscellaneous Receipts | 271.07 |
| Transportation | 5,000.00 |
| Dental Clinic Income | 426.50 |

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| Total Receipts, 1950 | 69,372.86 |
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| Net Cost to Town | 69,893.51 |
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Report of the Superintendent of Schools

To the Citizens of the Town of Dighton:

It is my pleasurable duty to submit herewith my eighth annual report as Superintendent of Schools for the Town of Dighton. This report together with those of the High School Principal, the School Nurse, and the Supervisor of Music aims to set forth only information that will be of interest to the general public. No attempt will be made to discuss educational philosophies or procedures. Incorporated herein is the report of the Dighton School Committee.

Personnel

Special attention of all parents is called to the fact that during the past two years the Dighton School System has had a total of only four resignations that were submitted by teachers leaving to accept better positions. The adoption of a salary schedule in December of 1948 and the voiding of the married teacher regulations have done much toward stabilizing our faculty. However, a normal turnover of teachers is desirable. New teachers do much toward helping to keep a school system alive, dynamic, flexible, and forward looking.

As the elementary teacher shortage becomes more critical many school systems are finding it necessary to employ in the elementary grades men and women who were trained for secondary school teaching. The Dighton School Committee hopes to be able to continue to fill vacancies with those whose education and training specifically fits them for the job. The Committee had this prob-

lem in mind in setting a minimum salary that is high enough to compete with most communities for the services of new teachers.

The resignation of Miss Helen Lane who retired after forty years of faithful and efficient service was regretted throughout the Town. Hundreds of children as well as parents came to love her for her teaching ability, her fairness, her sincere interest in boys and girls, and her indefatigable efforts toward helping young people acquire those character traits that are needed for good citizenship.

Mr. Joseph Comerford who was acting as assistant to Miss Lane was elected by the School Committee to the principalship of the South School.

The shortage of adequate housing at reasonable rentals continues to be a serious problem for our married teachers. Teachers are reluctant to stay long in positions where housing is expensive or sub-standard. Mr. Eisenstadt resigned in October after trying for a year to find suitable accommodations.

Audio-Visual Education

Our audio-visual education program continues to function as efficiently as one could expect, taking into consideration the fact that our facilities in the elementary schools are extremely poor and considering that we do not have the services of a director who has the time to give the necessary supervision. Our high school science instructor acts as co-ordinator for the program, but his full time teaching duties limit the assistance that is available. The following equipment is available in our schools:

- 5 sound projectors
- 4 radios
- 2 record makers, with playback systems
- 1 tape recorder
- 1 micro projector
- 4 Ballopticons
- 6 Movie screens
- 3 Film strip projectors

One of our most serious handicaps is found in the problem of making the materials available to all of the pupils who will receive benefit from seeing them. This handicap will be largely eliminated when all of our elementary pupils are housed in one building.

School Housing

After seven years of consideration of our elementary building needs in Dighton, acceptable recommendations were voted at a special town meeting held in November of this year. At that time the Town approved the expenditure of \$550,000 for the construction and equipping of an eighteen room consolidated building with auditorium-gymnasium-cafeteria facilities. The town preferred to replace the three elementary schools with the one structure rather than to approve a plan of partial consolidation of twelve or sixteen classrooms.

With the increases in costs of construction and with the building material shortages that are developing, our architect and the building committee are faced with the serious task of planning a school that is structurally and educationally sound. The Massachusetts School Building Assistance Commission establishes certain minimum standards below which a community may not go if it wishes to be eligible for State Aid.

After consultations with our architect, Mr. Israel Almy, the building committee has approved the elimination of the use of steel wherever this can be done and still be consistent with sound building practice. Shortages of materials can affect the bids submitted to the extent that the appropriated \$550,000 will not be enough to carry out our plans. Should plan changes fail to enable us to remain within the amount appropriated it will be necessary for the voters to meet again to either vote additional funds or to approve recommendations that will provide for fewer classrooms. We hope that construction may be started by the first of April. January 2, 1952 is still a possibility as a building dedication date.

Repairs and Improvements

With replacement of our elementary schools being a distinct possibility repairs were limited to those of an emergency nature. In the North Elementary School the library, the band room, and the hall were repainted. Other painted or varnished woodwork was touched up where necessary. The entire building received a general cleaning.

In the South School the walls and ceilings in some classrooms were repainted. The basement stairway on the East side of the building and the basement assembly room were redecorated. Many minor repairs were made throughout the school. Approximately one hundred desks were refinished by the Vocational Department at the high school. A special effort was made to have the building as habitable as possible from a cleanliness point of view.

At the North Primary School minor repairs were made and the building was given a thorough cleaning. The insulating of the ceiling of the room on the North

side makes this area much more comfortable in cold weather.

For a number of years we have been postponing desirable improvements in all of our elementary schools. If circumstances should postpone school construction for any appreciable period of time, extensive improvements in all three of the schools will be necessary. Such improvements to be of any permanent value would entail the expenditure of very large sums of money. Very often the citizens look upon improvements in terms of painting certain areas on the inside and outside of a building. Our problems entail much more extensive and expensive work. Even though we should spend large sums on our present schools we would still have in one or more of the buildings, poor playgrounds, no facilities for physical education, school lunches, or assemblies, poor facilities for visual education and no auxiliary rooms. We would still have the same old shells masquerading under the guise of refurbished schools. Let us all hope that we won't have to start pouring out our money trying to make modern schools out of buildings that are not adequate for the type of program that we should be offering today.

New Equipment

The lack of oil burners in our schools makes it necessary for our custodians to go back to the schools on cold nights and on Saturdays and Sundays to fire their boilers. The extra hours involved poses a problem of the amount of work we can reasonably expect from them during the regular school day. In addition to the extra hour problem we find that the time spent tending boilers could be used to good advantage in keeping the building clean. Men are becoming more and more reluctant to continue in positions that require them to work nights and Saturdays and Sundays in addition to working during

the day. Even though the actual number of hours may not be excessive the custodians' freedom is greatly curtailed. The installation of an oil burner at the High School is desperately needed if we are to continue with our present janitorial personnel.

At Dighton High School through the most efficient efforts of our custodians many repairs and improvements were made. The type of construction here multiplies the problems of cleaning and repairing. Considerable money is saved each year because of the jack-of-all-trades abilities of Howell and Louis Carr. In this school all floors are scrubbed, sealed, and waxed during the summer months, but this is not only a yearly project. Throughout the year the floors must receive periodic attention in order that they may be kept in good condition at all times. All of the building receives a thorough going over in order that deterioration may not start. All walls and woodwork receive a thorough cleaning and a definite plan of repainting and revarnishing is carried out.

E. L. McGuire of Taunton was employed to replace the broken slate shingles on the main wing of the school and to repair various sections of the tar and gravel roof over the auditorium. Next year some of our exterior trim will need attention.

During the past year we have purchased the following new equipment:

1. An aluminum portable scaffold for the high school.
2. Two sets of steel goal posts for the football field.
3. One air compressor for the general use of the schools.

4. On oscillating sander for the vocational department.
5. Thirteen new typewriters.
6. One drinking fountain for exterior of high school.
7. Public address system at high school.
8. Ampro sound projector for general use.
9. One fryolator for high school kitchen.
10. One electric steam table.

From the Massachusetts Educational Agency for Surplus Property we were allocated for nominal charges a large quantity of miscellaneous items. From this agency we received two 8 K. W. gasoline generators. One of these has been installed for the furnishing of emergency light and power for our kitchen and cafeteria. Limited use of this unit is planned for the entire building.

The State Department of Vocational Education furnished without cost a much needed new radial saw that has a value of \$420.00. The 1950 Senior Class left as a gift to the High School enough money to pay for another display case for the corridor. Mr. Louis Carr made this case to match the one that he made for the Class of 1949.

School Costs

Although we have minor increases in some of our budget items, the bulk of increases are attributable to the necessity of providing for adjustments in salaries of personnel. The new budget that will be presented to the Town will be considerably in excess of that presented

last year. Increased income will offset about \$2,000 of the additional gross cost. At the present time the prices of many of the items that we purchase are higher than ever before. However, because of increases in State Aid during the past two years our net cost to the Town will be only about four thousand dollars more than the actual net cost in 1948.

At its regular meeting in December the School Committee adopted a new salary schedule providing for the following maximums and minimums:

| | Non Degree Teachers | Bachelor's Degree | Master's Degree |
|---------|------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| Minimum | \$2,400.00 | \$2,600.00 | \$2,800.00 |
| Maximum | 3,000.00 | 3,200.00 | 3,400.00 |

The acquisition of fifteen credits toward a higher degree qualifies each teacher for a one hundred dollar increase beyond the maximum.

The high school principal, special teachers, and vocational teachers are not on the salary schedule. Their salaries are adjusted by the Committee when necessary.

As of January first all teachers will receive the salary to which the schedule entitles her. This schedule was adopted subject to the approval of the Town, and if necessary funds are made available the amount of the increases will be paid to each teacher, retroactive to January first.

New Legislation

Under a change in the State Law all schools must now deposit all cafeteria and athletic receipts with the Town Treasurer to be disbursed by him upon the presentation

of school department warrants. The School Committee has control of and supervision of these accounts. Previously these receipts and disbursements were under the control of the High School with rules and regulations of the School Committee being carried out. Unlike appropriated funds the monies in these accounts do not revert to the Town at the end of each fiscal year but are carried forward and can be used by the cafeteria and the athletic departments.

A new law was passed relating to the failure of re-employment of a non-tenure teacher. It is now necessary for a School Committee to notify before April 1st any non-tenure teacher who will not receive a contract for the following year.

Legislation providing for more aid to education was defeated in this year's session of the Legislature. Various bills will be presented again this year in an attempt to gain a larger degree of State participation in the rapidly rising cost of the educational program.

Miscellaneous

In spite of the fact that nearly every year we assure the parents that we are well supplied with teaching aids and with modern textbooks the question still is presented from time to time. We are ever alert in providing for the children the latest and best in the textbook field. This year most of our first grades are trying out a new series of readers to replace the reading system that we have been using. In our North Primary School new Arithmetic devices have been purchased with a view to their adoption. We have no hesitancy in discarding outdated and outmoded books even though their physical condition may be good. However, we do try to get a reason-

able amount of wear from textbooks whose content is modern and usable.

Several transportation routes were extended during the past year in cases where the health and general welfare of the pupils required such action. The additional cost is reimbursable from State funds.

The Division of Vocational Education recommended the discontinuance of our evening classes because of inadequate membership. The Committee will provide this service at such time as public interest warrants such action.

In June provisions were made for enrollment of all pupils who were eligible for school attendance in September. The response was so gratifying and the first grade beginning in September was such an improvement that this policy will be continued in the future.

Because of the certainty of overcrowded conditions at the High School next year, the School Committee found it necessary to notify the Rehoboth School Department that after this year Dighton could no longer accept their high school students. Those who are now in attendance here will be permitted to attend until their graduation. The Committee was very reluctant to take this action, especially because the Rehoboth boys and girls have been excellent students and because they have been a real credit to our high school. We have been very proud of them.

Conclusion

From time to time we receive many questions from parents regarding our schools. It is impossible to cover

all phases of the educational system each year. Therefore, I believe that parents should review from time to time the reports that have been made in recent years.

The School Committee, the Superintendent, and the teachers are grateful to the townspeople for their interest in their schools and for their continued support. Constructive criticisms and suggestions as well as requests for information are welcome at all times.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. ROLFE,

Superintendent of Schools

Report of the School Nurse

To the Superintendent of Schools:

Dear Mr. Rolfe:

I wish to submit the following report as School Nurse for the year 1950.

Health is a state of well being that prevails when all body processes, physical, mental and emotional are working together harmoniously, so that one can meet the demands of life capably and serenely. Through our annual examinations and recommendations for correction when necessary, we aim to help each student to maintain as near perfect health as possible.

A physical examination by our School Doctor was given each pupil. The eye examination either by the

Massachusetts Vision Test or Telebinocular was also given, as was the Puretone Audiometer or hearing test. An improvement in hearing was noted after the removal of tonsils and adenoids in several cases. With the aid of glasses, where they are needed, there is always an improvement in work noted.

The Dental Clinic continues to be well attended with 137 pupils attending and practically all pupils completing the necessary work that had to be done. Each year shows a decided improvement in the condition of the children's teeth. This is just another way of helping to maintain physical fitness and to teach good health habits.

At the Pre-school Clinic where vaccinations are done and a free physical examination with recommendations for correction, the child is not only prepared for entrance into school, but is acquainted with Dr. Souza and myself which prepares him for the later examinations.

There are clinics and resources available for every need, and where help and information has been needed I have given it.

Two classes in Home Nursing was started this Fall at the High School. This course not only teaches the care of the sick in the home, and simple treatments, but is another way of teaching good health habits.

Again I wish to thank the teachers for their cooperation and help in carrying out this health program.

Respectfully submitted,

ESTHER BOWDEN, R.N.

Report of the Principal of the Dighton High School

To the Superintendent of Schools:

Dear Mr. Rolfe:

I herewith submit my second annual report as Principal of Dighton High School.

The present day philosophy of education, giving adolescents what they want and need, tends to keep more and more pupils in school. The fact that less than three per cent of our students leave school when reaching sixteen indicates that our program of studies—college, commercial and vocational—is giving the necessary training and our extra-curricula program including social functions, assemblies, and athletics, is bringing about the desired contacts among young people.

The High School has maintained a slow steady growth during the last few years. As of October 1, 1950, there were 314 students enrolled in the school. This total was the greatest number of pupils that has been registered in a single year. Since any further increase in numbers would seriously hamper the educational facilities, it was regretfully decided not to admit sophomores from Rehoboth after the school year 1950-1951. Our enrollment should now remain at a reasonable figure for two or three years. Ninety-two per cent of our class rooms are utilized during the day, and while some departments are crowded, we are operating efficiently.

Enrollment indicating the distribution of pupils by towns and curricula statistics on October 1, 1950 follows:

ENROLLMENT STATISTICS

| Class | Dighton | Berkley | Freetown | Rehoboth | Taunton | Gosnold | Totals |
|--------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| Freshmen | 37 | 16 | 20 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 74 |
| Sophomore | 36 | 11 | 16 | 24 | 1 | 1 | 89 |
| Junior | 33 | 16 | 17 | 22 | 0 | 0 | 88 |
| Senior | 35 | 5 | 7 | 15 | 1 | 0 | 63 |
| Totals | 141 | 48 | 60 | 61 | 3 | 1 | 314 |

CURRICULA

| | College | Commercial | General | Vocational | Totals |
|-----------|----------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Freshmen | 23 | 25 | 8 | 18 | 74 |
| Sophomore | 36 | 33 | 2 | 18 | 89 |
| Junior | 25 | 32 | 15 | 16 | 88 |
| Senior | 16 | 20 | 21 | 6 | 63 |
| Totals | 100 | 110 | 46 | 58 | 314 |

There has been one major change in our program of studies. Due to the low enrollment in the Vocational Household Arts Department for the past few years, it was deemed best to use the facilities we have, in cooking and sewing on an elective basis, and make them available to all girls. This year we are scheduling two classes in sewing, an introductory course and an ad-

vanced course. However, there was not sufficient interest in cooking to maintain a class in foods. Cooking will be available when the demand warrants.

The school continues to offer a rich program of learning experiences in the extra-curricula program. Today's school is no longer a place in which students only read, write and recite. Experience has shown that there are other kinds of teaching and learning than the kind that consists chiefly of studying books. A detailed description of this program has been given in previous reports. However, I believe the following should receive special mention:

(1) Photography, Audio-Visual Aids, Home Nursing, Cooking, Handicrafts, Traypainting, Personality and Driver Education, have again proven very popular.

(2) "The Golden Log," the school annual, is now part of the Activities Program and is open to all students. As in the past, the Seniors will edit the production under the guidance of Miss Ann Lanoue.

(3) An assembly program committee under the direction of Mr. Leo DeMarco has spent considerable time developing an Assembly Program consisting of educational speakers and entertainers, student talent and exchange assemblies between neighboring schools. It is the goal to have all students in the school participate in at least one program during the year.

(4) In athletics it should be noted that our football team again had an exceptional year. Although we were starting with an entirely new team, we only lost one game and finished first in the Narragansett Interscholastic League. We had the most successful baseball team in

the history of Dighton High School and in track retired the Boosters' Club Cup after winning the Narragansett Interscholastic League Invitation Meet three successive years. The Girls' Basketball Team again finished first in their division of the Narragansett Interscholastic League. This makes the fourth successive time they have finished in first place.

Our school has had a proud record in the field of varsity athletics. Dighton's reputation for fair play and good sportsmanship is outstanding. It is our aim to develop young men and young women who, while exerting every effort to win, can win or lose with grace.

The guidance program has been greatly emphasized this year with excellent results. It has now reached a point where a qualified counselor is necessary to coordinate all parts and bring the necessary social, vocational and educational information to young people.

Group Guidance is required of everyone once a week. Problems involving social adjustments, job finding, and information concerning institutions of higher learning are continually being reorganized to meet the pupils' needs. A few of the topics covered this year were:

- Information about the school.
- Sportsmanship at games.
- How to study.
- What is the purpose of going to college.
- How to get a job.
- Choosing a life companion.

A definite course of study has been constructed so that a topic is emphasized in the grade for which it is most suitable.

Again all eighth grade pupils in Dighton, Berkley, and Freetown, and the junior class in the High School were given educational and vocational aptitude tests through the facilities of Boston University.

To supplement this battery of tests, the Massachusetts Employment Service conducted a series of vocational guidance tests to seniors. Due to the close cooperation between the Employment Service and the High School, we were able to efficiently guide the Senior graduates looking for positions. All seniors not continuing their education beyond High School were interviewed and classified according to their interests and abilities. A trained counselor went over each record and tested all doubtful classifications with a battery of vocational aptitude tests. The counseling and testing results were useful in placing Seniors in suitable positions. Harmonious relations with nearby manufacturing companies have enabled us to place graduates yearly with satisfactory results.

During the year 1950, I received a certificate from the Commissioner of Education again approving Dighton High School as Class A. Our academic program remains high. Of the twenty-nine graduates preparing for college, twenty-one applied to institutions of higher learning and all were accepted. In addition, four commercial graduates are continuing their education at business colleges. The following table is a guide to the effectiveness of the scholastic program at Dighton High School.

Follow-up of 1950 Graduating Class

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| (a) Graduates | 81 |
| (b) Attending Teachers Colleges | 1 |
| (c) Attending Other Colleges | 11 |
| (d) Attending other schools (Nursing, Business, Technical, Preparatory) | 13 |
| (e) Total continuing school | 25 or 31% |

Two of our graduates are attending colleges under Scholastic Scholarships. Marie Allen won a competitive scholarship at Boston University School of Music and Robert Hunter received a scholarship at Brown University.

The cafeteria continues to operate in a very successful manner. This year we discontinued the sale of sandwiches. It was felt that if a meal is to be purchased, it should be a hot one. Elimination of sandwiches has increased the number of hot plates sold by thirty-two per cent. It should be noted that the cafeteria is maintained through the Federal Lunch Program at no cost to the town.

Our banking program has now been operating successfully for four years. Last year a total of 156 students participated in the program depositing \$1,784.27.

We are continuing to meet the requests of students for more social contacts. Our assembly program enables groups of students to present two or more assemblies in neighboring schools and in turn act as hosts to these schools. This year our musical groups presented an assembly at Westport High School, participated in the Southeastern Massachusetts Music Festival at Attleboro, broadcasted over station WBET in Brockton, and played with other school bands at a Boston University football game. Our Junior Dramatic Club presented a play at Dartmouth High School. During the year, we welcomed the Dartmouth High School and Westport High School Glee Clubs at two assemblies. Our dances continue to be popular and well supported by the student body.

In closing this report, may I express my appreciation to you, the School Committee, the Faculty, the Student Body, and the Custodians, for the splendid support and assistance accorded me.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD H. GILLESPIE,

Principal

Report of the Music Supervisor

In accordance with the policies established by the School Department in recent years, the Music Department of the Dighton schools has made available to every pupil in the school system music in one form or another.

An active music reading program exists in the elementary schools and it includes all the grades from one to eight. Its purpose is to develop the ability on the part of each individual to read vocal music of medium difficulty, quickly and easily with a minimum of musical technical knowledge required.

The instrumental program offers an opportunity to any individual in Grades four to eight inclusive, to study any of the most common orchestral and band instruments that are in use in these organizations today. In some instances where the physical capacity of the individual is sufficient, instrumental instruction can begin in the third grade. There is a very limited number of school owned instruments available, so that for the most part

the individual student must provide his own instrument. In any case instrumental instruction is provided there is no instruction fee charged the pupil.

Extensive repairs were made on most of the school owned instruments this year as some of them had not been overhauled since their acquisition several years ago. In order to defray a part of the expense of the upkeep of school owned instruments, the School Committee voted and passed the recommendation that the nominal fee of \$5.00 per instrument per year be charged each student using a school owned instrument. If this same service were provided by a commercial music house the yearly rental fee would be approximately \$40.00.

The instrumental program has increased gratifyingly during recent years and in the fall of 1950 eight pupils began the study of violin, making a total of twenty violin pupils in the elementary grades. Eight pupils began the study of clarinet raising the total number of students studying this instrument to twenty-three. The total number of pupils studying saxophone is nine, four of whom started this year. Twelve students began the study of trumpet, making a total of thirty-one pupils in the elementary grades. Three students began the study of trombone and the total number of students studying this instrument at present is five.

A satisfying increase in the study of the less common instruments has been noted and pupils are active on the baritone horn, the E-flat alto horn, the bass horn and drums.

The aim throughout the entire program is appreciation through active participation. The accent is placed on active membership in musical groups rather than on

extensive listening programs of music appreciation, although the latter is not entirely neglected.

The philosophy of "Music for Everyone" has resulted in very large musical organizations in the high school in the form of glee clubs and a very large combined orchestra and band (including the elementary school instrumental group).

The Music Department presents yearly a Spring Concert that is the culmination of the year's work, but in addition to this it is active throughout the school year.

The band played at all football games, at all high school organizations, and were in concerts at neighboring schools and in a radio broadcast as well. High school organizations also took part in the South Eastern Massachusetts Music Festival held in Attleboro.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK A. HARRIS, JR.

Music Supervisor

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION
Dighton High School
High School Auditorium, June 15, 1950

Program

Overture—"Gypsy Trail" Fischel
Orchestra

†Processional March—"Entrance and March
of the Peers" Sullivan
Orchestra

Invocation—
Rev John Francis Laughlin
St. Peter's Church, Dighton

Welcome—
Karl Spratt
President of the Class

Violin Solo—"The Old Refrain" Kreisler
Marie Allen

Student Address—We Choose Our Heritage
Claire Lavallee

Student Address—The United States and the World
of Today
Robert Hunter

Selection—"Give Me Your Tired, Your Poor" Berlin
Senior Class

Address—
Dana M. Cotton, Director of Placement
Harvard University Graduate School of Education

Presentation of Awards—

Edward H. Gillespie, Principal

Rensselaer Polytechnic Medal

D. A. R. History Medal

D. A. R. Good Citizen Award

D. A. R. Homemaking Award

Vocational Awards

Bion L. Pierce Awards

John W. Synan Awards

Clarinet Solo—Andante from Clarinet Concerto Mozart
Irvin Carr

*Presentation of Diplomas

Eugene M. White

Chairman of Dighton School Committee

Selection—"Land of Our Hearts" Chadwick
Senior Class

Benediction—

Rev. Joseph Pritchard

Methodist Church, Myricks and Dighton

Recessional March—"Scarlet and Gray" Herfurth
Orchestra

Thomas H. Hill, Supervisor of Music

*The Audience is requested to refrain from applause
until all diplomas have been distributed.

†The audience is requested to remain seated during the
Processional March.

CLASS OF 1950

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| Marie Allen | Frank L. Daylor |
| George J. Amaral | Lucille Anne DeMello |
| Wallace Leonard Babbitt | Jack H. DeMoranville |
| John W. Barrow, Jr. | †Margaret L. DeMoura |
| †Charles Edward Bassett | Lawrence Donald Dutra |
| William Baxter-Green | Donald S. Erickson |
| *Mary Jane Bennett | John Harvey Frykman |
| Charles Gil Bettencourt | *Elsie Marie Furtado |
| *Marilyn Louise Bettencourt | Lowell Harold Grant |
| Joan Lenore Borden | Norman Francis Gorden |
| †Eva Romaine Briggs | Harold Joseph Gracia |
| Ruth Bertha Burt | Carol Hartley Gurney |
| Barbara Lois Carr | William Halliwell |
| †James Irvin Carr, Jr. | †Maralyn Jane Hixon |
| Robert Arthur Carvalho | Adrianne Blake Hoffshire |
| Donald A. Cash | *Robert Henry Hunter, Jr. |
| †Edward Joseph Catabia | *Isobell Julia King |
| Kenneth Patrick Conroy, Jr. | Theodore Bailey Ladd, Jr. |
| Roger A. Costa | †Claire June Lavallee |
| †Jacqueline Ann Cummings | Richard L. Longton |
| Norma Anne Davis | †Barbara Ann MacDonald |

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| Merilyn Mackintosh | †John Rose |
| Muriel Rae Mansfield | Geneva Irene Salley |
| †William Herbert Marsden | Ralph E. Sherman |
| †Marilyn Jean McCarthy | Thomas C. Sherman |
| Claire Arleen McNeil | Teresa Josephine Silva |
| †Genevieve Joan Mello | Elisha Edward Smith |
| Sally Anne Milko | Raymond Joseph Sousa |
| Marilyn Ann Morrill | Karl Spratt, Jr. |
| Dale N. Moody | Edgar E. Standring |
| Robert Edward Morris | Patricia Ann Strange |
| William I. Morse | Edmond E. Tessier |
| Frederick M. North | Lloyd Warren Tingley |
| Albert John Perry | Lois A. Townley |
| Ann Cecelia Phillips | Carolyn Marguerite Turner |
| Patricia Catherine Phillips | Joseph Vincent |
| Marillyn Elaine Pittsley | Mildred Wanda Westgate |
| †Florence Manetta Potts | Frances Cynthia Wheaton |
| †Marjorie Elizabeth Rego | *Jewel Dean White |
| Marianno Rezendes, Jr. | James Paul Withers |
| †Edward Franklin Rose | Elizabeth Ann Wotton |

*First Honors—An average of 90 or more for four years.

†Second Honors—An average of 85 to 90 for four years.

Class Officers

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|----------------------------|----------------|
| Karl Spratt, Jr. | President |
| William Baxter-Green | Vice-President |
| Lawrence Donald Dutra | Treasurer |
| Marilyn Louise Bettencourt | Secretary |

Class Motto

"Not for Self, But for All"

Class Advisor

Miss Ann A. Lanoue

Dighton School Committee

Eugene M. White, Chairman

Edward C. French, Secretary

Anthony Andrews

Lawrence Mendoza

Richard DeMello

Charles Swartz

John J. Rolfe, Superintendent of Schools

GRADUATION EXERCISES
DIGHTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS
June 7, 1950

Processional

Invocation

Rev. J. Linton Dwyer
St. Paul's Episcopal Church

Selection—"America the Beautiful" Samuel A. Ward

THE MIRACLE OF AMERICA

(As seen by an Eighth Grade)

Pupils (In order of first speaking)

| | |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| Norma Wordell | Donald Peck |
| Patricia Borden | William Wakefield |
| Gloria Torres | Ruth Hixon |
| Edward Neves | William Carey |
| Russell Simonds | Bettina Clark |
| John Goulart | Richard Adams |
| Virginia Nunes | Francis Rose |

Selection—"Steal Away" Negro Spiritual

THE MIRACLE OF AMERICA

(Continued)

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|------------------|-----------------|
| Barbara Sears | Olivia Reposa |
| Francis Phillips | Joseph Ferreira |
| Florinda Perry | Joseph Pacheco |

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| Lucille Menard | Virgilio Pontes |
| Mary Donlon | Edward Paiva |
| Robert McCracken | Walter Whitmore |
| Evelyn Hindle | Janet Fisher |
| Joan Reynolds | Mason Gray |
| Alice Costa | Wilma Brooks |
| Nancy Philbrook | John Stanley |
| Mary Tripp | Emerson Strange |
| Edward Bacon | Peter Stead |
| Anna Marie Perry | |

Selection—"God Bless America"

Irving Berlin

Presentation of Diplomas

Mr. Anthony Andrews
Member Dighton School Committee

Selection—Class Song

Paul Bliss

Benediction

Rev. John Laughlin, Pastor
St. Peter's Church

Recessional

Thomas H. Hill, Music Supervisor
John J. Rolfe, Superintendent of Schools

GRADUATES

| | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Richard Charles Adams | Edward Rezendes Paiva |
| Edward Bacon | Donald Rodney Peck |
| Patricia Evelyn Borden | Anna Marie Perry |
| Wilma Alice Brooks | Florinda Ann Perry |
| William Bradford Carey | Nancy Bradford Philbrook |
| Bettina Catherine Clark | Frances Phillips |
| Alice May Costa | Virgilio Pontes |
| Mary Donlon | Olivia Reposa |
| Joseph Ferriera | Joan Reynolds |
| Janet Fisher | Francis Gracia Rose, Jr. |
| John Arthur Goulart | Barbara May Sears |
| Mason Gray | Russell Eaton Simonds |
| Evelyn Esther Hindle | John R. Stanley, Jr. |
| Ruth Gail Hixon | Peter Roy Stead |
| Robert Charles McCracken | Emerson Howard Strange |
| Lucille Phyllis Menard | Mary Elizabeth Tripp |
| Edward Everett Neves | Gloria Lucy Torres |
| Virginia Marie Nunes | William Albert Wakefield |
| Joseph Philip Pacheco | Walter Whitmore |
| Norman Wilbur Wordell | |

ENROLLMENT OCTOBER 1, 1950

DIGHTON SCHOOLS

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|---|----|----|----|-------------|
| North Primary School | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | Total Bldg. |
| Teacher | 28 | | | | | | | | | | | | 28 |
| Doris M. Ferreira | | 24 | | | | | | | | | | | 24 |
| Frances Nesmith | | 24 | | | | | | | | | | | 24 |
| Margaret Gibbons | | | 23 | | | | | | | | | | 23 |
| Rose E. Borges, Principal | | | | 27 | | | | | | | | | 27 |
| Lena W. Cowell | | | | | | | | | | | | | — |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | 126 |
| North Elementary School | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Helen M. Simmons | | | | | 24 | | | | | | | | 24 |
| George R. Pauley, Jr. | | | | | | 18 | | | | | | | 18 |
| Helen C. Turner | | | | | | | 30 | | | | | | 30 |
| Hope W. Hamilton, Principal | | | | | | | | 32 | | | | | 32 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | — |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | 104 |
| South Elementary | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Dorothy Bagley | 28 | | | | | | | | | | | | 28 |
| Margaret Harrington | | 35 | | | | | | | | | | | 35 |
| Olive Crawford | | | 30 | | | | | | | | | | 30 |
| Anne M. Phillips | | | | 21 | | | | | | | | | 21 |
| Marie E. Jones | | | | | | | | | | | | | 27 |
| Joseph A. Kudera | | | | | 27 | | | | | | | | 20 |
| | | | | | | 20 | | | | | | | |

Donald Nesmith
Joseph F. Comerford, Principal

28
26
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215

Total Elementary Schools

445

Dighton High School

76 90 88 61

315

Total Enrollment in Dighton Schools

760

Number attending Private Elementary Schools

8

Number attending Private Secondary Schools

17

ENROLLMENT BY SCHOOLS**(October 1, 1950)**

| | |
|-------------------------|-------|
| Dighton High School | 315 |
| South Elementary School | 215 |
| North Elementary School | 104 |
| North Primary School | 126 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 760 |

Tuition Pupils—Dighton High School:

Regular

| | |
|----------|----|
| Berkley | 38 |
| Freetown | 55 |
| Rehoboth | 52 |
| Taunton | 3 |

Vocational

| | |
|----------|-------|
| Berkley | 10 |
| Freetown | 8 |
| Rehoboth | 9 |
| Gosnold | 1 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 176 |

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| Net Total Enrollment—Dighton Pupils | 584 |
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DIGHTON SCHOOL FACULTY—DECEMBER 31, 1950

DIGHTON HIGH SCHOOL

| Name | Home Address | Education | App'd |
|----------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|-------|
| Principal | | | |
| Edward H. Gillespie, M. Ed. | 97 Spring St., North Dighton | Tufts College, Boston Univ. | 1947 |
| Vice Principal | | | |
| Leo P. DeMarco, B.S. M. Ed. | 721 Bay Street, Taunton | Fordham Univ., Boston Univ. | 1946 |
| Faculty | | | |
| Arthur B. Chabaton, A.M. M. Ed. | Apt. 2, Bldg. 108 Shawomet Gardens, Somerset Center | Univ. of Ala., Boston Univ. | 1950 |
| Charles F. Day | Elm Street, Dighton | Fitchburg Teachers' Coll. | 1943 |
| Alice C. Fallon | 935 Robeson St., Fall River | Bay Path Institute | 1949 |
| Anne A. Lanoue, B.A. | 221 Oliver St., Fall River | Providence College | 1946 |
| Janet E. McNally, B.S. in Ed. | 48 Prospect St., Fall River | Framingham State Teachers' Coll. | 1950 |
| Charles C. O'Connell | 1679 Somerset Ave., Taunton | Taunton High School | 1944 |
| Norma J. Rizy, B.S. in Phys. Ed. | Ogden's Cor., Rockville, Conn. | Boston Univ. Sargent | 1948 |
| Walter R. Scanlon, Ph.B. | 10 Greylock Ave., Taunton | Providence Coll., Boston Univ. | 1950 |
| Jean P. Simms, A.B. | 71 Arlington St., Taunton | Regis College | 1946 |
| Eleanor S. Smith, B.S. in Ed. | 289 Lincoln Ave., No. Dighton | Suffolk University | 1924 |
| Charles E. Walkden, B.S. | Chase Avenue, Swansea | Mass. State College | 1948 |

NORTH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

| | | | |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|------|
| Principal | | | |
| Hope W. Hamilton, B.S. in Ed. | Pleasant St., Dighton | Bridgewater Teacher's Coll. | 1928 |
| Faculty | | | |
| George R. Pauley, Jr., M. Ed. | 41 Willey St., Brockton | Bridgewater Teacher's Coll. | 1948 |
| Helen M. Simmons | 4 Avon Street, Somerset | Thibodeau Business Coll. | 1946 |
| Helen C. Turner | 150 Summerfield St., Fall River | Framingham Normal School | 1946 |

NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

| Name | Home Address | Education | App'd |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------|
| Principal | | | |
| Rose E. Borges | 6 Pleasant St., Dighton | Bridgewater Normal School | 1927 |
| Faculty | | | |
| Lena W. Cowell | 139 Jackson St., Fall River | Bridgewater Normal School | 1947 |
| Doris M. Ferreira | 490 Woodman St., Fall River | Perry Normal | 1949 |
| Margaret M. Gibbons, B.S. in Ed. | Preston St., Millville, Mass. | Fitchburg Teachers' College | 1949 |
| Frances Nesmith, B.S. in Ed. | 44 Myrtle Street, Brockton | Bridgewater Teachers' College | 1949 |

SOUTH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

| | | | |
|--|------------------------------|--|------|
| Principal | | | |
| Joseph F. Comerford, B.S. in Ed. M. Ed. | 10 Reed Street, Taunton | Bridgewater Teachers' Col., Boston Univ. | 1946 |
| Faculty | | | |
| Dorothy B. Bagley | 54 Coral Street, Fall River | Perry Kindergarten Normal | 1948 |
| Olive W. Crawford | 411 Prospect St., Fall River | Bridgewater Normal School | 1947 |
| Margaret Harrington | 233 Whipple St., Fall River | Framingham Normal School | 1946 |
| Marie E. Jones, B.S. Ed. | 404 Cohannet St., Taunton | Lowell Teachers' College | 1950 |
| Donald C. Nesmith, B.S. in Ed. | 44 Myrtle St., Brockton | Bridgewater Teachers' Coll. | 1949 |
| Ann M. Phillips | 59 Freedom St., Fall River | Bridgewater Normal School | 1948 |
| Joseph A. Kudera, B.S. in Ed. | 19 Springdale Ave., Saugus | Bridgewater Teachers' Coll. | 1949 |

MUSIC SUPERVISOR (Elementary and High)

| | | | |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|------|
| Frederick A. Harris, Jr., M. Music | Chase St., North Dighton | Boston University | 1946 |
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CUSTODIANS

| Name | Home Address | School | App'd |
|----------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------|
| Howell S. Carr | Elm St., Dighton | Dighton High School | 1942 |
| Louis H. Carr | Elm St., Dighton | Dighton High School | 1947 |
| John Gray | 40 Tremont St., North Dighton | South Elementary School | 1947 |
| John Ingham | 110 School St., North Dighton | North Schools | 1946 |

PERSONNEL CHANGES

| Teacher | Position | Date of Resignation | Reason |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| Elizabeth Wade | H. H. Arts, High School | June, 1950 | At Home |
| Sarah Marder | Grade 5, South School | June, 1950 | Teaching in Quincy |
| Helen Lane | Principal, South School | June, 1950 | Retired |
| Thomas H. Hill | Music Supervisor | June, 1950 | Teaching in Bangor |
| Lawrence F. Folloni | Phys. Ed., High School | June, 1950 | Teaching in Bridgewater |
| Samuel L. Eisenstadt | Science, High School | October, 1950 | Teaching in Providence |
| Dorothy Jackson | Math. 6, 7, 8, South School | October, 1950 | Teaching in Michigan |

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